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The Royal Navy is now taking firm steps to protect British merchant ships outside Chinese Territorial waters while on their voyages to Chinese ports.

Three British merchantmen have been met on their voyages to Chinese ports and accompanied by Royal Navy ships until they entered Chinese territorial waters.

One warship has also been instrumental in obtaining the release of a merchantman from a Chinese Nationalist gunboat.

Blockade Gunboats Seize Motor-Junks Bound For Canton

Nationalist blockade gunboats in the Pearl River Delta have seized three cargo-laden motor-junks and a tow boat which have been circumventing the blockade by making detours through canals in the marshlands from Macao to Canton.

Vernacular press messages said that the four boats were seized when warning shots from pirate gangs at the boats brought the gunboats to the area.

Goods estimated to value HK\$4,000,000, were said to have been confiscated by the Chinese Navy.

Other cargo boats preparing to leave for Canton via Macao yesterday suspended sailings pending the finding of new routes to beat the blockade.

The traders commented: "We will find a way. Trade will go on."

Macao Quiet

Arrivals from Macao yesterday said that the Portuguese Colony is quiet and apparently the Portuguese authorities do not expect any untoward incidents as a result of the impending Communist evacuation of the neighbouring Chungshan County.

The Nationalist flag on the Macao border has been pulled down. Chinese guards along the

Rice Allocation Conference In Singapore

Singapore, October 31. Government representatives of British Commonwealth territories in South East Asia and of Indonesia today began a series of conferences here to discuss the possibility of getting up a rice allocation body next year.

The International Emergency Food Council will cease to allocate rice at the year's end, but the world shortage of rice is expected to continue for some time.

The Ceylon Government food director, Mr. E. Aluppal, who is attending the conference, said today that allocation of rice was necessary up to at least June, 1950. "Ceylon would be in a very critical position if her rice imports had to be curtailed by other importing countries paying the producers a high price," he added.

THE WEATHER

At 0600 GMT (2 p.m. HK Standard Time) the tropical depression between Mindanao and Palau is almost stationary and is probably weak. The deep depression has moved to the NE of Hokkaido and the China anticyclone is spreading Eastwards over the Eastern Sea and Japan.

Today's Forecast: Fresh E. winds, fair.

Yesterday's Weather: Maximum 74.6 deg. Feh. Minimum 62.2 deg. Feh. Sunshine: 6.5 hours.

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Readings at 10 a.m. (6 p.m. local time):

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High: 75.0 6.3

Low: 60.0 4.9

24 hr. Rain: 1.5 2.4

Lisbon Honours Franco



Spain's Chief of State, Generalissimo Francisco Franco, recently visited Lisbon for a four-day discussion on defence and other problems with Portugal's Premier Oliveira Salazar. Photo shows, (left to right): Portugal's Premier Oliveira Salazar; Spanish Foreign Minister Alberto Ariza; and General Franco in earnest conversation during a midnight gala reception in Lisbon's Ajuda Palace. (AP Photo).

South Korea Awaiting U.S. Permission To Invade The North

Tokyo, October 31.

South Korea's Defence Minister said today his agents have reported that a North Korean treaty has been signed with Soviet Russia providing for extensive military aid.

He added that his country is just waiting for permission from America to invade North Korea and unify the land as a democracy before the Communist men and material arrive.

As far as is known here neither Russia nor North Korea admits the existence of the reported pact, nor has it

Tang En-Po Relieved Of Command

Taipei, October 31.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek has accepted the resignation of General Tang En-po, commander of Nationalist troops on the Kinmen front.

General Hu Lien, hero of the recent Kinmen fighting in which the Nationalists claimed a smashing victory over the Reds, will replace Tang. Hu Lien commands nine full divisions there.

His appointment is believed to be a compromise with Acting President Li Tsung-jen, who had asked for Tang's dismissal.

Army Corps Commander Lee Liang-shun has been recalled from Kinmen.

Invasion "Impossible"

The South East military spokesman, Major-General Li Shu-cheng, in an interview, pointed out today the Nationalists were not annihilated and said the South East islands were favoured by geography.

Unless the Reds have a superior air force and navy, a large-scale invasion at present is impossible, he said.

Against the Nationalist "South East" command is Red General Chen Yi, who has 18 armies, four on the mainland opposite the Chusan Islands, where a big battle is expected soon, three on the Amoy front and others of secondary fighting strength elsewhere.

CATC Plane Lands In Red Territory

San Francisco, October 31.

A C-47 transport plane of the Central Air Transport Corporation landed safely in a certain airfield of the People's Government after a long flight from Hong Kong to cross over to the People's Republic on October 27, according to a broadcast of the Communist Peiping radio today.

The broadcast added that the plane was piloted by Lu Chi-jen and (Hsieh) Chao-chung, assisted by mechanic Yang Chao-pan and Su Wen-huen.—United Press.

Winds Cause Disaster In India

Madras, October 31.

Nearly 70 persons were killed and property estimated at 2,000,000 rupees was destroyed by 150 mph winds that swept the South East India coast on Thursday, reports reaching here today said.

The winds blew for 30 hours, leaving some 50,000 persons homeless. Local authorities still are reporting the discovery of additional bodies.—Associated Press.

Britain's Defence Review

London, October 31.

Britain may solve her defence reorganisation problems through some variant of the American system of selective call-up, some political quarters said today.

Defence chiefs have practically completed a review of the whole defence structure from the angle of long-term stabilisation. Their recommendations, based purely on service considerations, will soon be studied by the Cabinet defence experts both from the military and political aspects.

The three main aims of the review, now proceeding are:

1. To ensure that Britain may make her proper contribution to defence arrangements under the North Atlantic Pact and Western Union.

2. To save money as part of the economy drive.

3. To conserve industrial manpower for the dollar export push, which is the basis of Britain's recovery effort.

It is generally accepted that Britain will retain compulsory military service, and that any changes would be only by way of variation of the present arrangements.

Many quarters believe that the Government may decide to lengthen the period of military service, though any alteration is thought unlikely before the 1950 general election.—Reuter.

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Belfast Rescues 450 Chinese From Stranded LST

HMS Belfast is due here early tomorrow morning with some 450 starving Chinese whom she rescued from the LST Chung Hsin, grounded on the Pratas Reefs, some 200 miles South East of Hong Kong, to mark the successful completion of the first phase of the mercy mission organised by local authorities.

The distressed persons—Nationalist soldiers and seamen and their families—will be transferred to the British steamer Sing Hing on their arrival.

They will then be shipped to Taiwan or Hainan Island, as required, by the Chinese vessel Ming Chung.

The Ming Chung, which arrived here last evening, will go to the Pratas en route to complete the mission by rescuing the remaining some 250 persons still stranded there.

Rescue operations by the British cruiser are expected to finish late today.

The stranded persons will be taken by fishing sampans from the island to HMS Belfast, riding at anchor nearby. Meanwhile, the men are being landed from the ill-fated LST at the rate of 70 a day, by the fishing craft.

There were already some 260 persons on the island when the cruiser reached the scene. Among them were 50 women and children.

HMS Belfast arrived at the Pratas at dawn yesterday. She was despatched with emergency medical stores and personnel, provided by HM Hospital Ship Maine, and left port late on Sunday evening, when the distress message reached the Colony.

Ship Sighted

The British cruiser sighted the Chung Hsin at daybreak yesterday and contacted the distressed persons aboard the vessel.

Captain E. K. Le Mesurier, MVO, commander of HMS Belfast, reported to the Admiralty yesterday morning that attempts to get the stranded persons aboard were being made.

HMS Belfast anchored close South West of the Pratas. The meteorological station on the island reported that 260 persons had been landed from the LST and 450 were still on the vessel.

Captain Le Mesurier cabled that the Chung Hsin was visible and was apparently aground on the North perimeter of the Reef to the East of the North West Horn.

The report also revealed that on the South East corner of the island another Chinese two-funnelled vessel, which resembled the Chinese sloop that rammed the French freighter Doctor Verain when she attempted to rescue her (sloop), was stranded.

Captain Le Mesurier said contact was made but the sloop did not answer.

The sloop was previously referred to as the Kiang Yang, which was adrift helplessly in rough seas, when the French ship caught up with her and rescued

India Will Recognise Chinese Reds

London, October 31.

Authoritative Indian sources said today that India would recognise Communist China shortly after Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru returns to India from his visit to the United States.

The sources said Mr. Nehru would make his intention known to the British Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, with whom he is expected to have "highly important talks" when he arrives in London from New York on November 4.

"India's aim is good neighbourliness," they said, "Recognition of the new China regime is considered to be inevitable and as far as India is concerned it would clear up misunderstandings over Tibet."—United Press.

Enough Supplies

Several persons before the sloop tore away to drift off from the Pratas freighter, and subsequently returned here.

HMS Belfast, stood by while the passengers aboard the Chung Hsin were being landed by the fishing craft. She will take them aboard beginning this morning by the same method.

Enough Supplies

The distressed persons will have enough food supplies and water to carry on till the Ming Chung arrives.

A further message from Belfast released by the Naval authorities in Hong Kong at 7.30 p.m. yesterday said steps have been taken to alleviate danger to the passengers of the stranded LST which include about 50 women and children.

The message continued: "As the presence of so many people at Pratas is a serious tax on the island's limited stocks of food and water, HMS Belfast will embark some of the passengers, including all the women and children, and bring them to Hong Kong."

"They will then be transferred to a Chinese merchant ship which will proceed to Pratas to take off the remaining shipwrecked personnel."

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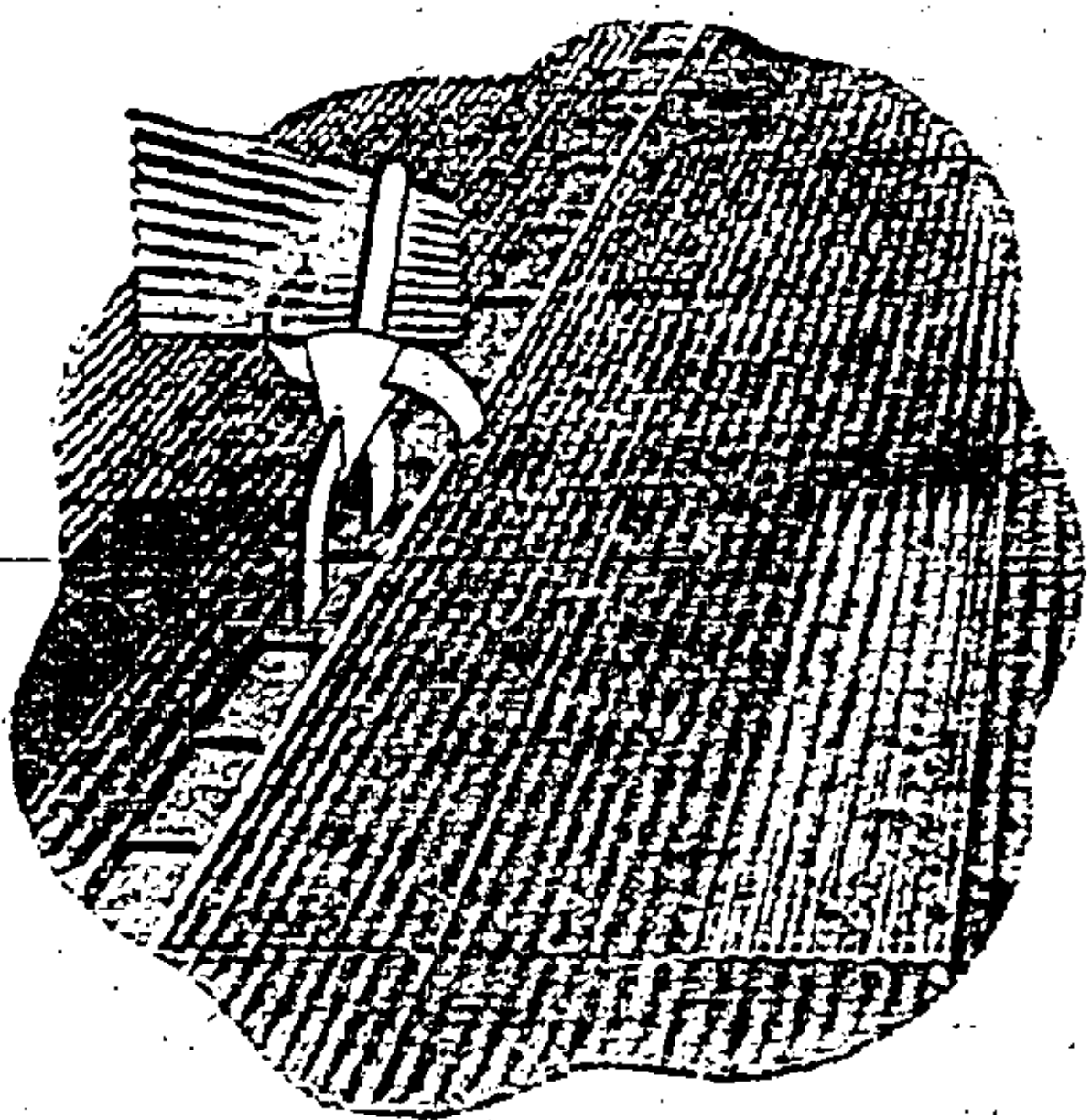
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Essay Contest Winner



Miss Sydney Chan receiving the first prize at the United Nations Essay Contest yesterday. The presentation was made by Mr. Fung Ping-fan, President of the Hong Kong Rotary Club. ("China Mail" Photo).

Personalia

Messrs. B. Lucien, Dang Buom Vuong Hung, Zee Wen-dao and the Rev. Fr. Felix Ukia left Hong Kong for Saigon yesterday by Air France.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Dwight left for Yokohama by the ss. Hermeon yesterday.

Miss M. H. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. de Dianous de la Perrotine and Mr. F. Sauer left for Hoihow yesterday by the ss. Hai Lee.

Mr. J. Paige will address the Y's Men's Club of Hong Kong on Thursday at the Roof Garden, Hong Kong Hotel. His subject will be "Film Making in Hong Kong."

Among the passengers who left by BOAC yesterday for the United Kingdom were Mr. and Mrs. Tattersall, Miss A. Macdonald, Gunner Mannion, Lieutenant Colonel A. G. Proudlock, and Mr. H. E. Turner.

The Burmese Ambassador, U. Myint Thien, his wife, Daw Pwa Hmee, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Zing and Mr. K. T. Walden left for Rangoon yesterday by BOAC.

Departures for Manila by Hong Kong Airways yesterday included Mr. and Mrs. H. Kretzmann, Messrs. S. Crawford, G. L. Michandani, G. P. Thompson, Leong Lum, Han Hee, Liang Tun-kai, Tan Tay-hong and Li Tong.

Week-end departures from the Peninsula Hotel included Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Feary, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Lear, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Chen, Messrs. E. L. O'Brien, G. E. Soderbom, W. Fletcher, E. J. Tilton, N. Franco, G. S. Fraser, F. L. Fay, L. S. Sully, S. N. Snider, G. Romani, M. B. Lavicelli, and Miss D. Jacobs.

Among the new week-end arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel were Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Emory, Messrs. W. E. Rundle, K. E. Mitchell, R. L. Stover, T. C. Gertry, W. M. Temple, G. E. Shingdecker, Glenn Abbey, R. S. E. J. Tilton, T. T. Chen, L. S. Chu, T. C. Tung, and Miss J. Sullivan.

The Reverend Father Andrew Granelli, Rector of St. Teresa's Church, Kowloon, who left for the United States in January on a lecture tour on missionary work in China, has returned to the Colony.

Father Granelli also visited Europe. In Rome he had an audience with the Pope. A reception to welcome his return will be held at the St. Teresa's Club (next to the Church annex) today at 8.30 p.m. All parishioners and friends are welcome.

Mr. J. F. Nicol, Colonial Secretary, has been appointed to be the Governor's Deputy during Sir Alexander's temporary absence from the Colony. Sir Alexander left for the Singapore South East Asia Conference yesterday morning.

Numerous officials drove to Taichung on the outskirts of Taipei yesterday to congratulate Chiang Kai-shek on his 62nd birthday, states an Associated Press report.

RAF Man On Assault Charge

Hearing in the case against David Tudor, Flight Sergeant of the RAF, Kai Tak, who faced three charges of assault, continued before Mr. James Wicks at Kowloon yesterday.

Sergeant Richards was charged with assaulting Police Constable Richard Valdez at Salisbury Road on July 31; and with assaulting Kong Chung and Chiu Hung-lak on the same day.

Yesterday's hearing was devoted to cross-examination of the police officer by Mr. Brook Bernack, defence counsel. Hearing was adjourned to this afternoon.

UN Essay Contest Winners Get Prizes

Prizes to winners in the United Nations Essay Contest, sponsored by the Hong Kong Rotary Club, were presented yesterday afternoon in the office of Mr. D. L. Strellett, Chairman of the Club's International Service Committee.

Six prizes and a consolation prize were presented for the English section, and six prizes for the Chinese section.

The presentation was made by Mr. T. R. Rowell, the Director of Education, and Mr. Fung Ping-fan, President of the Hong Kong Rotary Club. Mr. Rowell said more than 1,000 essays were sent in, and about 200 went before the judges, so that the 12 who were judged winners had done extremely well, and deserving of warmest congratulations.

He said there was a mistake in the release in the Press of the winners in Grade I of the English. The first prize went to Miss Sydney Chan of the Diocesan Girls' School, and the second prize to Miss Christine Wen of King George V School.

Miss S. O'Donovan of King George V School was awarded a consolation prize only. Her essay, however, was very good, said Mr. Rowell.

Miss Christine Wen was not present at the prize-giving yesterday, due to the absence of her name in the Press by mistake.

Other Winners

The remaining 10 prize winners were:

English Section
Grade II (Class 3-5): 1st, Winifred Liu (Maryknoll School, Hong Kong); 2nd, Chan Yun-tim (Wantsai Govt. A.M.).
Grade III (Classes 6-8): 1st, Tang Wah-pui (Wantsai Govt. A.M.); 2nd, Elsie Child (St. Mary's School).
Chinese Section
Grade I (Senior-Middle Class): 1st, Chan Charn-hin (Govt. Sen.

Vernacular Middle School); 2nd, Chang Chun-ying (Sai Nam Middle School).
Grade II (Junior Middle Classes): 1st, Pun Siu-wan (Sun Lang Middle School); 2nd, Kwai Kwok-hung (Yau-mat Govt. A.M.).
Grade III (Primary Classes): 1st, Wong Ka-chum (Tun Mui School); 2nd, Kwan Kai (Govt. Vernacular School, Girls). The prize in each case was a book.

Pen Theft Defendant Discharged

On a charge of stealing a fountain pen from a fellow tram passenger, Li Kui, age 33, was discharged by Mr. A. D. Scholes at Central yesterday.

The prosecution stated that the complainant found his pen and a pocket watch in the defendant's pocket and took him to the station.

Defendant had a pen in his pocket and complainant together with a detective took defendant to the station.

In dock yesterday defendant denied that he had stolen the pen and claimed the pen to be his own.

Defendant and complainant had each a note book. Mr. Scholes then got hold of the two note books and complainant was asked to write something in his own book. After this was done, Mr. Scholes compared the ink and found that it was different. The ink was compared with defendant's note book and found to be the same.

Mr. Scholes said that it was quite possible that complainant had his pen stolen in the tram and it so happened that defendant's pen was the same as complainant's.

The pen was ordered to be handed back to defendant.

Importers Of Livestock Worried

Importers of livestock in Hong Kong are exploring other sources of supply to ensure that the Colony does not run out of meat supplies if the existing disruption in communications with the mainland continues much longer.

Supplies are still coming in from Tsam-kong, former French-leased territory of Kwangchow, but the fall of this Linhai port to the Communists is only a matter of time.

Importers are understood to have requested Government assistance in bringing in live cattle and sheep from Siam, and cattle and pigs from Hainan, Hainan Island.

Cattle From Siam

If cattle could be brought in from Siam, there would then be no fear of any shortage, importers said. Siam is a big supply source of pigs and poultry, but the difficulty seems to be shipping.

Inspection have raised the question with the authorities of having the animals slaughtered at sea and bringing the carcasses only, as to save on freight charges and charges; but apart from the health point of view, it is questionable whether the meat would keep unless there were refrigerated space.

CHINESE REFORM ASSN. ADVOCATES RECOGNITION OF RED REGIME

The Hong Kong Chinese Reform Association is strongly advocating recognition of the new regime in China by the British Government. Resolutions calling for recognition will be placed before a general meeting of the Association shortly for approval or amendment.

A statement issued by the Association yesterday said:

"In view of the development of the state of national affairs in China and the recent extension to South China, Hong Kong cannot avoid contact with the new and extraordinary circumstances. The whole world is riveting its attention on how Hong Kong is to meet the situation now confronting it. The people of Hong Kong, because of self-interest, are particularly concerned.

"The Hong Kong Chinese Reform Association, taking a status in the face of realities feels compelled to voice, in an earnest manner, the hopes and aspirations of the residents of Hong Kong and appeal to the competent authorities.

"Our appeal is based on the recognition of the following points of conception:

Mutual Interests

"(1) For 100 years the relationship between Hong Kong and China—especially Kwangtung—has revolved consistently around their mutual interests and interdependence. Hong Kong has contributed to the reconstruction of South China, and the prosperity of South China has revitalized the healthy development of Hong Kong's prosperity.

"Of Hong Kong's population, 99 per cent are Chinese, constituting an absolute majority. Our hearts are with China, though we are here in Hong Kong.

"We love China; we also love Hong Kong. We positively do not wish to see the traditional intimate relations between the two in any way disrupted, especially any disruption in China to British investments and overseas Chinese trade.

"We are confident that both China and Hong Kong will be able to further co-operation so that both will thereby be greatly benefited.

Trade Restoration

"(2) Regardless of whether consideration is given to commerce, economy, communications, security or even to the food supplies as well as the welfare of the residents, we feel deeply that the existing state of affairs of semi-blockade between Hong Kong and China should be courageously and clearly adjusted so that normal trade between Hong Kong and Canton should be expeditiously restored.

"Both force of circumstances and common sense do demand that in the midst of difficulties now confronting the people of Hong Kong, a condition resulting from blockade to continue.

"Far-sighted officials should take into consideration the geographical factors and the daily livelihood of the Chinese community and with courage born of due recognition of realities, adopt at once a policy of overcoming the present difficulties.

"In view of the foregoing, we wish to express our belief, to submit our recommendations to strengthen Sino-British friendship and co-operation, as well as the welfare of the Chinese community of Hong Kong, our motives are pure and our hopes are earnest.

"We sincerely believe that if the authorities on both sides should heed popular opinion, and consider the various points submitted, much impetus may be given to the return to normal intercourse between Hong Kong and Canton."

FOOD AND FUEL COST

The food and fuel index for the week ended October 16, issued by the Labour Office, were:

Rice 1 Flour 7.2 cetties	\$5.3100
Vegetables 1.2 cetties	2.3700
Salt Cabbage 2 cetties	4.0800
Oil 7 cetties	1.4480
Tea 2 cetties	5.9800
Salt Fish 3 cetties	1.2980
Pork 2 cetties	1.2840
Firewood 10.0 cetties	1.2600
Bean Curd 1.4 pieces	5.0000
Total	\$18.5930

The average of the Food and Fuel figure for the weeks ended October 29 is \$18.7553.

The Rehabilitation Allowance for the month of November 1949 will therefore be:

DAILY PAID WORKERS	\$2.50 a day
Artisans	\$2.75 a day
Coolies	\$2.25 a day
Women	\$2.25 a day
MONTHLY PAID WORKERS	
Men	\$75.00 a month
Women	\$71.25 a month

Foki Gaoled For Arson Attempt

Sentence of six months imprisonment plus life banishment was imposed on So Wing, 18-year-old shop folk, by Mr. James Wicks at Kowloon yesterday on a charge of attempting to set No. 55 Reclamation Street on fire.

It was stated that defendant on October 18 put canvas and straw mats soaked with kerosene at the door of the flat occupied by Mrs. Yeung Nam and set them alight. Defendant was said to be the adopted son of Mrs. Yeung.

When the case came up last week, Mr. C. T. Byron of the Secretariat of Chinese Affairs, who happened to be in court, was asked by Mr. Wicks to make an inquiry.

Mr. Byron reported yesterday that defendant was picked up in the street by the complainant several years ago and that no formal adoption was made. Living for some time with the complainant, defendant then left and joined the Chinese guerrillas. He came back several weeks ago and at the station after his arrest, he made a statement to the police that he was badly treated by the complainant.

Extortion Case Adjourned

The case of Yau Kam-san, aged 25, who was charged with demanding \$20,000 from Chan Chi-leung, was adjourned at Central yesterday until this morning.

Detective Sub-Inspector Roberts said that on September 10 defendant and four others went to 31 Gilman Street and there asked complainant to go out, at the same time demanding \$20,000 with menaces.

Defendant told complainant that should he refuse to pay, harm would come to him. Defendant then said that he would see complainant the next morning. At the appointed time, defendant came to the complainant's house and asked if the money was ready. Defendant was then arrested by complainant with the help of his co-defendants.

"Harbour Lights" Photo Wins Prize

The competition for selecting photographs for inclusion in the Annual Report on Hong Kong for 1949 was held in the Colonial Secretariat yesterday. Mr. Francis Wu and Mr. K. A. Watson were the Judges assisted by an Officer in the Secretariat.

The first prize was won by Professor Francis Stock for a night scene entitled "Hong Kong Harbour Lights 1949". The second prize was won by Mr. E. S. Frank for a print entitled "After a Day's Fishing" and the third prize was won by Mr. David Cohen for a print entitled "New Cotton Mill Industry".

Three prints by Mr. Choi Ching, two by Mr. Kwan Ming-chi and one each by Mr. Kong Chi-wing, Professor Stock and Mr. David Cohen were also selected for inclusion in the Report.

YMCA DEBATING SOCIETY

The weekly meeting of the European YMCA Debating Society took place on Wednesday last when a Brain Trust was held with Mr. L. Starbuck, Chairman of the Board of the YMCA as Question Master, and Messrs. Bruce, Grimdale, Tucker, Ma Man-lai, and Dawson-Grove as Brain Trusters.

An audience of more than 30 persons heard discussions on six subjects among which the questions "Why under modern conditions do women tend to live longer than men?" and "Which of the classical forms of art has made the greatest contribution to mankind?" provoked the most differences of opinion.

The next meeting will take place tomorrow at 8.45 p.m. in the West Lounge when the Bishop of Hong Kong the Rt. Rev. Dr. Hall will speak on "The Moral Dilemma of Hong Kong". Attendance is free and all interested persons are welcome.

Correspondence

The Editor takes no responsibility for views expressed in letters by correspondents, and by no means necessarily agrees with them.

Show Window

Sir, We must make Hong Kong a show window of democracy. We must make it a model territory and show people elsewhere that we can always do things better than they can.

Nice words. Our Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, Mr. Rees Williams, also quoted the Colony's record, trade figures and show people the authorities and the people for the trade achievements of the Colony.

However, nice and inspiring words do not make a show window of democracy. Neither do record trade statistics, achieved at the expense of the common man, whose demands considerably more improvement than what exists today.

If the Colony is to be made a show window of democracy, let us have more schools, more social facilities for the general public, a better living wage for the common man and let us make an effort to solve the housing problem. Above all let us have a share in the management of our own affairs.

How can we do things better than others can elsewhere unless we have a healthy and contented population? How can we make any progress (except in trade figures) when we are plagued with tuberculosis, lack education, medical and housing facilities?

How can we make any real achievement when we are living from hand to mouth without any hope of social security?

It is time that these defects in our so-called democratic system here in Hong Kong are remedied.

NICHOLAS.

Hunter's Plea

Sir, Apropos of the Authorities' decision to withdraw all permits allowing movement of gun-dogs to the New Territories, I have a plea which, with proper representation, might persuade the Authorities to review the matter and perhaps reverse the decision taken.

No sane person can or desires to question any police measures to minimise the risk of spreading the horrible consequences of rabies. The question arises is the drastic step of prohibiting the movement of well-trained dogs on a day's outing in the open and unpolluted hills really necessary?

The gun-dog means more to its owner than the average house pet. It is usually fed on a studied diet, it is exercised because of the necessity to keep it fit and in proper training; and in most cases, is under the constant attention of the owner himself, and not left in the hands of servants.

Every gun-dog in use has been inoculated against rabies. When taken on a day's outing in a car, and until it is actually in the open hills, the dog is on a leash and under control. Villages are purposely avoided to prevent contact with the many stray dogs. Setters and Pointers are dogs with the least tendency to be vicious. They are docile and easily controlled, and when meeting any other aggressive breeds, usually prefer to assume, instinctively, a curved tail between their legs.

Consider now the fact that most gun-dogs are kept in flats and are constantly in the company of the sportsman's own children. He would be the last person, even if selfish about the safety of others, to expose his own, or any way, to the dreaded scourge.

It is known that rabies is less prevalent in winter, and there is no evidence that any gun-dog has gone down with the disease.

The sportsman, for all the respect he is given, is additionally respected, that he is prevented from pursuing a perfectly legitimate and licenced activity at the height of the all too short open season, as it is.

Some sportsmen, rather than be deprived of his shooting, may decide to keep his dog out in the country in the care of villagers. Without his personal attention, this surely would expose the animal to the constant risk of contracting the disease from stray village dogs. At the end of the season, a contaminated dog will be brought back, and we shall have had a real menace in our midst.

While I am sure I am voicing the views of many, it is possible a most point whether these views carry any weight by themselves. Would the committee of the Gun Club, Kowloon Club, or the apparently still-born Field Society take the case up through the proper channels?

ADAM.

"Incentive" System Keeps RAF Men On Their Toes

The Royal Air Force has adopted the "incentive" system in a three-pronged attack to maintain the effectiveness and efficiency of the Air Force at Kai Tak.

An official spokesman for the RAF said yesterday that this system, applicable to the RAF generally, has been gradually developed since 1947, and that the change was revolutionary in its effect.

He added: "Now, on an RAF airfield, it is nothing unusual to see a young chap sitting for his leaving certificate to enter London University, another checking out a book on the Theory of Dynamics from the base library, and a few buildings away, seeing a meeting of officers and men discussing how the food in the mess could be improved."

A short time ago, the RAF issued an order that all promotions within the ranks must first be accompanied by the applicant's successfully passing a prescribed written examination, covering the applicant's specialty.

The officer said: "We don't make study compulsory for the men, but this order makes it evident to them that if they intend to rise in the service, and be entitled to additional pay, they must earn it by improving the knowledge of their jobs."

The new educational officer, Squadron Leader T. W. Little, said that the men were reluctant to the new order in droves.

He added: "Every week, I personally interview from 30 to 40 men who want to improve their rank, and ask me what courses of study they should take."

During the interview, a young member of the ground crew entered the "Education Officer" office, and was handed a basic mathematical knowledge test to write out.

Languages And Shorthand

The officer explained that the young man wanted to join air crew training, and before he would be considered, it was the Education Officer's job to determine if the man had sufficient mathematical background to attempt the courses.

He added: "If he passes the examination, I will write a report to his Commanding Officer stating that in my opinion the man could absorb the air crew training; if he fails the examination, I give that report to his Commanding Officer, along with an outline of a course of study for the man."

In addition to the technical courses offered by the RAF, their educational programme is elastic enough to include courses in French and shorthand. The Kai Tak office is even considering offering regular Russian language classes, because some of the men have said that they want them.

During the past several months, three non-commissioned personnel have passed their matriculation to London University when they complete their service.

A base intelligence officer, Flight-Lieutenant S. C. Readhead, said that not only did education classes boost the men's morale, but it was also an integral part of the programme inaugurated by General (now Field-Marshal) Montgomery while he was in North Africa.

Improved Morale

He added: "General Montgomery found that his men worked better and had higher morale if they understood what they were doing, and why they were doing it."

"We still depend on the men's initiative to accomplish this, but the incentive of advancement and increased pay help the programme along."

For officers and men at the RAF base at Kai Tak, the day's necessity of maintaining efficiency is also based on incentives.

An example is practice bombing and straining, which the air crews practice several times a week. Each group's scores are assessed by men from the Armament Department, and then the scores are mimeographed and posted.

Flight-Lieutenant Readhead said: "The competition among the pilots and crews is tremendous, and the result is more 'bull's eyes'."

But nothing is stressed more at the RAF base at Kai Tak than the prime necessity of quick, accurate co-ordination, between the Administration, Flying and Technical branches.

Teamwork Vital

This is the new RAF "three pronged" organisation, and the keynote in all manoeuvres and exercises is teamwork.

Another Intelligence officer, Flight-Lieutenant F. Sandford, said that in no other branch of military service was teamwork more vital to successful operation, than in the air force.

He added: "In the RAF, there is no such thing as an unessential man. Our lowest rating must do his job, whether it be tightening bolts properly, or in routine testing of aircraft."

"Because we assume that each man in our organisation has a knowledge of his job, we actually make the lives of other men on his going, that job responsibly, and with the minimum of supervision."

Another indication of the individual responsibility of the RAF personnel is the Accident Prevention Committee.

Once a month, officers and men meet, and discuss ways and means to improve the safety of flight operations.

Junk Danger

A typical motion which was passed and put into effect recently was the banning of high-masted junks which were formerly moored a few hundred yards from one of the Kai Tak runways.

One non-commissioned ground crewman noticed a Spitfire dangerously clearing one of the masts by only a few feet one day, and brought it up at the meeting. The motion was unanimously passed, and an order went out prohibiting junks in the area.

On a normal day, the RAF personnel rise at 6.30 a.m., parade at 8 a.m., lunch at 12.30 p.m. and stop work at 4.30 p.m.

Flight-Lieutenant Sandford said that though the men were off duty at 4.30 p.m., they each knew that it was their responsibility to keep in tip-top shape, and that any evening one could see several matches going full force.

A flight of Spitfires roared overhead. The officers beamed one of them said: "Teamwork."

Woman Fined For False Report Of Robbery

On a charge of public mischief, Wong Lau, a married woman of 112 Hollywood Road, second floor, was fined \$100 or four weeks by Mr. A. D. Scholes at Central yesterday.

Defendant went to the police station and reported that she was engaged by some one who entered her cubicle and robbed her of \$120.

Enquiries were made by the police who found the report to be false. Defendant made the report in order to bluff her husband, it was stated. She had been spending a lot of money.

FORTHCOMING WEDDINGS

The following have announced their forthcoming weddings: 1. James Joseph Maloney, USN, of Rodio House, Kowloon, and Lilian Patricia Wu, of the same address.

Victor Emmanuel de Faria-Neves, marine engineer, of 153 Prince Edward Road, third floor, and Theresa Violet Sin, of the same same address.

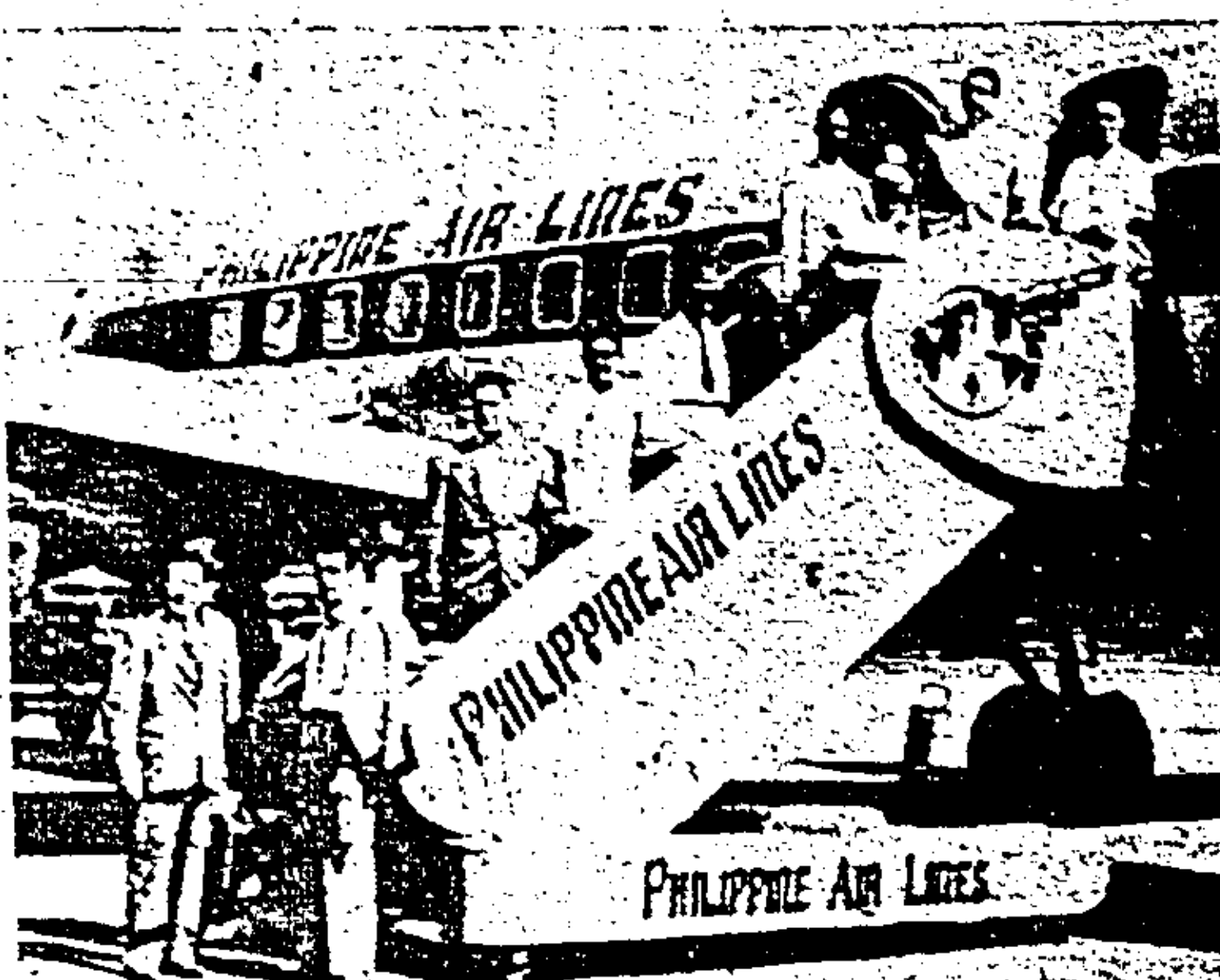
Antonio Braz do Rosa, secretary-accountant, c/o John B. D. Byrne and Company, 201 Rutten Building, Hong Kong, and Elsie Maria Xavier, stenographer, c/o Gilman and Company Limited.

To Give Piano Recital



A piano recital by Cecile and Sam Lim, (seen above) will be given at the Roof Garden, Hong Kong Hotel, at 9 p.m. today. Reservations may be made at the Hong Kong Hotel and at Moule and Company. The performers tonight come from a very artistic family. Their father is a celebrated painter, Mr. K. K. Lim who created a deep impression in Europe, England and China and their Swiss mother an ardent music lover. It is this happy union of the beauty of Switzerland and the sensitive and poetical painting that must have influenced these young talented musical children who have in them the appeal of a refined, new and colourful music by Debussy and Ravel. The concert will not be a technical exhibition.

New PAL Plane



Philippine Air Lines has purchased an additional new DC-6 (seen above) to add to its present fleet. The proven dependability of the Douglas DC-6 makes it the choice of the flying public, the company says.

Judge's Remarks On Solicitors' Action

"This is considered a discourtesy to the Court," declared Mr. Justice Williams, senior Puisne Judge, when he granted an application yesterday at the Full Court to Mr. V. J. L. D'Alton to withdraw an appeal and a petition concerned.

Mr. Williams was commenting on the procedure adopted by the solicitors instructing Mr. D'Alton in that none of the appropriate papers had been filed and the judges were not supplied with a transcript of the original case.

Mr. D'Alton, who apologised on behalf of his instructing solicitors, Hastings and Company, explained that he was not supplied with the facts surrounding the circumstances leading to his application.

Counsel was then told by the senior Puisne Judge that he hoped he would convey his remarks to the instructing solicitors.

Sitting with Mr. Williams in the Full Court was Mr. Justice Gould, Puisne Judge.

Mr. D'Alton appeared by himself yesterday to make the application without any representative of Hastings and Company. The applicant concerned was one Sobhree Vensimal, a former employee of the Tajmahal Silk Store, of King's Theatre Building.

Vensimal was the plaintiff in the original action against the silk store before the Chief Justice, Sir Leslie Gibson, in July this year, in respect of an alleged breach of contract and arrears of salary. Applicant was awarded \$558.58 on the latter claim and costs of the action, as well as costs attributable to the issue on which he had succeeded. He did not succeed in his entire claim, which asked for a greater amount than awarded, and damages.

Counsel's Remarks

The appeal was therefore to ask that the judgment of Sir Leslie be reversed and that it be entered in favour of the appellant.

In submitting his application, Mr. D'Alton applied for leave to withdraw the appeal and a petition to sue in "forma pauperis."

Counsel said he realised this application had caused great inconvenience to the Court in view of its lateness. He explained that the appellant had had great difficulties in settling the costs of the original action.

Vensimal had been advised that he could proceed with his appeal by way of "in forma pauperis," Mr. D'Alton stated. Counsel said he himself later refused.

to sign a certificate for the procedure in question.

Had he been informed of the facts earlier he would have advised the appellant's solicitors to take quicker steps in the matter, counsel told the Court.

Discourtesy to Court

Mr. Williams here remarked that Mr. D'Alton's instructing solicitors should have been present in Court. In granting the application, the senior Puisne Judge said that notice that the case would be heard yesterday was filed on July 15. The solicitors for the appellant knew that three and half months ago.

Yet none of the papers had been properly filed in this case, Mr. Williams continued. All the Court had was one copy of a notice of motion, one of the petition in question, and one copy of the supporting affidavits. Under section 617 of the Code of Civil Procedure, the proper procedure is laid down that within five days before the hearing of the appeal, the transcript of the original proceedings should be supplied to the judges hearing the appeal.

"Yet we have not one copy, let alone three," he stated. "This is considered a discourtesy to the Full Court."

Mr. D'Alton then apologised, explaining that he was also not supplied with any of the facts of the circumstances.

Mr. Williams then said he hoped counsel would convey his remarks to the instructing solicitors.

Betting Ordinance

An Ordinance to validate the imposition and collection of duty on 'totalisator and pari-mutuel bets at the rate of three per centum in lieu of two per centum without an appropriate resolution of the Legislative Council will have its First Reading at tomorrow's Council meeting.

An official explanatory note states that under sub-section (1) of section 6 of the Betting Duty Ordinance, the scale of duty on totalisator or pari-mutuel bets is determined from time to time by resolution of Legislative Council. This power was last exercised by Legislative Council in 1937 when the scale of duty was fixed at two per centum.

In October, 1945, the powers of Legislative Council were by virtue of Article 2 of Proclamation No. 4 vested in the Chief Civil Affairs Officer and he authorised an increase of the scale from two to three per centum, but there was no publication of this in the British Military Administration Gazette and the record of such authority cannot be found. In fact ever since racing recommenced after the liberation, duty at this increased rate has been and is still being collected.

After the recommencement of Civil Government a proposal to increase this duty further was rejected by Government on advice of the taxation committee but it was not appreciated that in view of the lack of evidence and the form of the authority to increase the scale of duty to three per centum it might be desirable to pass a resolution of Legislative Council.

The increased duty has been borne almost entirely by the public, and it would be impracticable, even if it were desirable, to refund it. The object of this Bill is to give formal validity to the increased rate of duty which has been imposed and collected for the past four years.

Reminders

Today

HK Rotary Club talk on "Chinese Clubs of Early Days" by Mr. L. Z. Yuan, Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.30 p.m.
Bridge Drive (for civilians and Services) European YMCA, 3 p.m.
Welcome reception for the Rev. Graciano St. Teresa's Club, 8.30 p.m.
Piano Recital by Cecile and Sam Lim, Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 9 p.m.
"Free for All" Programme for Servicemen at Sailors and Soldiers Home.
Kowloon Union Church, Women's Guild meeting, 10 a.m.
HK Light Orchestra Rehearsal, St. John's Cathedral hall, 6.45 p.m.

Coming Events

TOMORROW

Legislative Council meeting CSO, Council Chamber, 2.30 p.m.
Tee H. meeting, 50, Macdonnell Road, 9.30 a.m.
European YMCA Debating and Discussion Group meeting, West Lounge, 3 p.m. Mahjong Classes (for members and Services) 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

HK Women's International Club, Whist for Services, Gloucester Bldg., 8 p.m.
British Council weekly film show and talk by P. Gallagher, S.J. Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.
Barnstormers Variety Show for members and Services, European YMCA, 8 p.m.
Kowloon Rotary Club luncheon, Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.
Y's Men's Club weekly luncheon-meeting, Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.45 p.m.

Constable Sentenced For Desertion

Inspector C. Askew prosecuting said that defendant joined the Police Force on June 11, 1946 and was assigned to duty in Tsimshatsui. On September 18 of the same year he failed to report for duty. It was suspected at the time that he went home to his native district and a warrant for his arrest was issued on October 2.

Last Thursday, defendant applied for a job as a driver at the X-Camp of the RASC, Causeway Bay. He was engaged provisionally pending enquiry to the police about his character. Mr. Askew went to Causeway Bay and made the arrest.

Larceny Case

Defendant told the Court that his desertion was caused by fear of complication in a larceny case involving another constable. Mr. Askew clarified the defendant's statement, saying that at the time of his desertion he was assigned with another officer to guard a junk which was seized at Tsimshatsui because of contraband aboard.

A bag of flour was stolen from the junk and they were suspected of being the thieves. The other constable was later convicted and sentenced.

When sentence was imposed on him yesterday defendant requested that the option of a fine be given him.

"No," was the Court's reply.

Robbery Of Goldsmith's

The story of how two men armed with revolvers allegedly entered a goldsmith's shop in Shaukwan and stole a large number of rings, pawned one of the rings for expenses and took the rest to the country and sold them, was related by Detective Sub-Inspector C. A. N. Nicol at Central yesterday.

Before Mr. A.D. Scholes, Lam Fuk, aged 35, seaman, and Chan Sin-man, aged 29, mason, faced committal proceedings on a charge of robbing the Tai Chan Goldsmith Shop in Shaukwan of 36 gold rings valued at \$1,900, the property of Tang Man-sing.

DSI Nicol told the court that after the robbery, nothing was heard until September 27, when the police, acting on information received, went to 18 Holy Cross Street, Shaukwan, the two defendants were arrested.

Defendants then took the police to an unnumbered hut on the hillside above Sing Ming Street in Shaukwan. The Police on entering were told by the defendants that in a rattan suitcase which they pointed out, were two revolvers. The suitcase was opened and two revolvers were found.

In first defendant's pocket was an empty cigarette packet and in it a pawn ticket was found. The police examined the pawn ticket and went over to the Tak Cheung Pawnshop in Mongkok. The ring was pawned the day after the robbery.

The ring was pawned so that they could get money for expenses and later they went back to the country where the rest of the rings were sold. The pawned ring was identified by the owner of the shop.

After several witnesses had given evidence, hearing was adjourned till today.

Indian Trade Commissioner



To facilitate business and trade of Indian merchants in South East Asia, the Government of India has extended the jurisdiction of Sardar Jogindra Singh, Indian Trade Commissioner at Singapore, to Hong Kong, Sarawak, British North Borneo and Brunei. Sardar Jogindra Singh will now cover these territories in addition to Singapore and Malaya for which he was originally appointed. He will visit the new areas now put under his purview shortly.

RASC Man Committed For Trial

Committal proceedings against Private Andrew Milne of the RASC, charged with rape, to stand trial at the next criminal sessions at the Supreme Court were completed before Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Kowloon yesterday.

Sub-Inspector Wong Wing-hin, attached to the Castle Peak Station, giving evidence said that in response to a telephone call at 1 a.m. on September 2, he proceeded with a party of police to the ruins of the former Castle Peak Police Station. There he saw complainant, Tsai Yung, wife of Wong Ying, who lived in one of the dilapidated cells of the former prison, who alleged that defendant had raped her.

Inspector Wong then left the scene to call Sub-Inspector W.D. Seragg of the Pingshan Station who later came with Sub-Inspector William Watson and took defendant to the Pingshan station where he was questioned.

Influence Of Drink

Mr. Seragg giving evidence said that he explained the nature of the allegation against Milne and cautioned him before he was formally put under arrest.

Mr. Seragg said that defendant then made the following statement: "I did it while I was under the influence of drink. I am sorry I did it."

Both Inspectors Seragg and Watson said that defendant sneaked a glass of liquor at the time the alleged offence was committed.

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claims to the undersigned on or
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Hoffman Urges Action
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cally" between now and June 1952, her trade
with the Americas "will have to be balanced
at so low a level that it will spell disaster
for you," Mr. Paul G. Hoffman, the Marshall
Plan Administrator, declared here today.

He told leading statesmen and planners of the
ERP nations gathered at the Council meeting
of the Organisation for European Economic
Co-operation here that action to prevent in-
flation was imperative.

Action For
Possession
Of Room

Mr. Justice Gould, Puisne
Judge, yesterday gave judg-
ment in favour of the plain-
tiff with costs in an action for
recovery of possession of a
room in 18 Hillwood Road,
second floor.

So Sai-koo, widow, who was
the plaintiff, is the principal
tenant of the house. She was re-
presented by Mr. Arthur Lui.

Defendant, Chan, Shing-bun,
occupier of the room in dispute,
was not legally represented.

The widow claimed that she as
principal tenant paid \$458 a
month as rent. In January this
year, she was approached by
defendant, who asked her for a
room on a temporary basis. He
filed a certain document to that
effect, in which he promised to
vacate the room at once when he
was required to do so.

Plaintiff claimed she sub-
sequently made requests to de-
fendant to vacate but he refused
to do so.

On June 13, Chan agreed to
leave the room about August 13.
He entered this notice on the
previous document which he had
filed.

Up to date, however, defendant
was still in occupation of the
room as trespasser, So claimed.

Chan, told the Court in his own
defence that he was a tenant of
defendant's. He was paying her
rent every month for its occupa-
tion, he added.

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fundamental requirements for in-
tegration:

1.—Means "must be found" to
bring about a substantial measure
of co-ordination of national fiscal
and monetary policies.

"Trade and payments cannot
long continue to be free among
countries in which there are widely
divergent degrees of inflation-
ary or deflationary pressure."

"Unless individual countries ac-
cept the necessity for some co-
ordination of their domestic finan-
cial policies, the prospects for
eliminating even the most restric-
tive types of control over interna-
tional trade will be dim indeed."

Co-ordination need not result in
an identity of policy.

2.—Even with an effective co-
ordination of financial policies,
there were still bound to be tem-
porary disturbances in the flow
of trade and payments.

3.—Means to cushion the effect
of inevitable temporary distur-
bances.

4.—Means must be found to in-
sure that severe strains were not
imposed on the maintenance of
integration through conflicting
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freely trading bloc, comprising
270 million consumers in
Western Europe, would have
"a multitude of helpful conse-
quences."

Even assuming a brilliant suc-
cess in overcoming the dollar de-
ficit, Mr. Hoffman said, the end
of 1952 "will, at best, leave
Europe in only a precarious
balance" with the dollar area.

In the absence of integration, a
vicious cycle of economic natu-
ralism would again be set in motion.
Western Europe's hope of
economic salvation lay in the
practical necessity of integration,
he declared. And, ultimately,
spelled "disaster for nations and
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Spade or 5-Club takeout, West
led his diamond K to be over-
taken by the A. East laid down
the spade A, then the 8 for West
to ruff. The club 7 to the A en-
abled East to return the spade 6,
which South ruffed with the J,
and West over-ruffed with the Q.
South got the rest of the tricks,
so was down two.

"Smarty!" leered West at
South, but the latter had the last
laugh as he pointed out that
small slam would have been sure
for his opponents in either minor
if the clubs had been played the
best way.

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C K 9 7

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C A J 10 5 4

S 7 3
H A K J 10 7 2
D 9
C Q 6 3 2

(Dealer North. East-West vul-
nerable).

WAR OF NERVES ON YUGOSLAVS EXPECTED TO INCREASE

Vienna, October 30.

Yugoslav frontier incidents are likely to occur with increasing frequency, military observers said here today.

The object, they said, would be to maintain the Russian war of nerves against Yugoslavia and, perhaps, cover really dangerous military moves next spring.

There was no reliable information available in Vienna indicating large-scale military movements against Yugoslavia by either "satellite" or Soviet troops, they said.

Not was there evidence that Marshal Josp Tito, the Yugoslav Premier, had moved up eight or nine divisions said to be in a position not far from the Hungarian-Rumanian frontier for some months.

Moves noticed by travellers could probably be explained by normal late summer manoeuvres, the observers thought.

The only reliable information they had of Russian troop movements was of an armoured division and a small number of Russian bombers that had gone to Western Hungary.

They were believed to be supported by the movement of ground staff, infantry and fighter planes, necessary if large-scale military action were intended.

Rumanian Attack

On Tito

Radio Bucharest today broadcast a resolution approved "during an illegal meeting held recently in Belgrade of underground fighters against the bloody Tito-Rankovich regime, composed of Communists and non-Communists."

They also found 70 sacks of Brazilian coffee and 30,000 contraband Russian cigarettes in other places, the paper added.

NATIONALISING IN HUNGARY

Budapest, October 30.

The Government nationalised more than 200 retail and wholesale stores last week, Hungarian Government circles denied that 100 per cent state ownership of shops is contemplated at this date.

There were 102,000 privately operated businesses in Hungary at the start of the year. The present figure is not known.

VICE-PRESIDENT TO MARRY

St. Louis, October 30.

Mrs. Carleton S. Hadley announced today that she and Vice-President Alben W. Barkley will be married on November 18. The 37-year-old widow made the announcement in her apartment as the 71-year-old Vice-President and former Kentucky Senator stood by her side.

Mr. Barkley's first wife died in 1947. Mrs. Hadley's husband died in 1945.

WAVELL VISIT TO CANADA

London, October 30.

Field Marshal Lord Wavell, former Viceroy of India, left London Airport today for a visit to Canada at the invitation of the famous Black Watch Regiment. He is to spend about a month there lecturing for the British Council, an official organization propagating British culture. He will stay a few days in Ottawa with the Governor-General, Viscount Alexander.

It Was Too Many For Him

Mexico City, October 30. Mrs. Guadalupe Chavero told the authorities today that her husband became frightened and abandoned her after she gave birth to five children in 15 months.

She asked the government for financial support for her brood. Mrs. Chavero had triplets last April and twins in 1948.

Moscow Trying A New Line

Moscow, October 30.

Writing on the celebration of the tenth anniversary of the liberation of the West Ukraine and West Byelorussia and their incorporation into the Soviet Union, Alexander Korneichuk, president of the Ukrainian Supreme Soviet, described the tragic plight of oppressed, poverty-stricken unemployed Slavs in the United States.

In an article in "Pravda" the writer contrasted the happy, prosperous lives of the liberated West Ukrainians and Byelorussians since 1939 with those of their American cousins.

Korneichuk, who visited the U.S. in 1946, recalled, "The fate of millions of Slavs in the United States is little distinguished from the intolerable position of the negroes."

"They do difficult jobs in mines and industry and for their most arduous toil get the lowest wages, usually live in special quarters called Slavic ghettos and are the first to be evicted."

Thousands of letters come from overseas, always bringing to countrymen and relatives in the West Ukraine much sorrow and tears.

PRICE SUPPORT WITHDRAWN

Berlin, October 30.

Communists withdrew price supports from rationed goods in Eastern Germany today.

Simultaneously, unrationed stores cut prices broadly, sometimes as much as 60 per cent. Their rates have been much higher than those of rationed stores. The Government will save 200,000,000 East marks yearly (about \$8,500,000) by cancelling the subsidies. The cost is passed on to the consumer. The average worker calculates his rationed food costs him 25 marks monthly. His cost will increase several marks a month for meat, fish, butter, milk and coal.

Fifth Columns

"Even in the United Nations organization, it has been seen how Yugoslavia defends its independence, while the Soviet satellite states act like a machine at every turn."

Mr. Pijade said the Communist Parties outside Russia were "fifth columns" of the Soviet Union.

He added: "Exaltation of the Soviet Union by these parties rests on the conviction that with the advance of the Soviet Army will come the liberation of the peoples and Socialist revolution in all countries."

Tito's Relations With West

Moshe Pijade, President of the Yugoslav National Assembly, was quoted as saying today that Marshal Tito wanted every possible relation with the Western world on the basis of equality.

In an interview with the Italian news agency Ansa at Belgrade, Mr. Pijade said Italy could play an important role in Yugoslavia's relations with the West.

Mr. Pijade, who is a member of the Yugoslav Politburo and Tito's Marxist theoretician, was quoted as saying, "We want to trade, we want every possible relation with the Western world on a basis of equality which guarantees the sovereignty of our country."

"We are ready for every exchange on condition that it does not harm our independence, because after we have freed ourselves from one side, we do not want to fall victims to the other."

BLACKMARKET SEIZURES

Berlin, October 30.

The Berlin newspaper "Telegraf" reported today that Western Berlin police and customs authorities, in a week-end black market drive, seized two million American cigarettes and 2,700 bottles of liquor stored in a garage in the British sector of the city.

They also found 70 sacks of Brazilian coffee and 30,000 contraband Russian cigarettes in other places, the paper added.

STAR'S FIANCE DEAD

Santa Monica, October 30.

Dr. John Duzik, fiance of the screen star June Haver, died in hospital today after a six-week illness.

Miss Haver was at the young dentist's side when he died of complications following an abdominal operation. She had kept an almost constant watch at the hospital during his illness.

Syrian Views

The Syrian Foreign Minister, Dr. Nazim El Kudys Bey, expressed the hope that the proposed Arab collective security pact will be sufficiently practical and powerful to make the Arab League an effective instrument.

Winding up the 13-day discussions of the Arab League Council, the Minister said that the projected pact had come as a "preliminary response to the desires of Arab public opinion to secure the future after the Palestine tragedy."

He also hoped that the proposal would ensure economic security. The pact has been described here as aiming at safeguarding Arab States against foreign aggression.

"The collective security system shows that the Arab nations will not let the crisis pass without deriving from it a great lesson," the Syrian Foreign Minister declared.

SECURITY PACT TO BE SIGNED BY ARAB COUNTRIES

Cairo, October 30.

The Arab League Council has set up a Committee of Experts to draft a security pact between the seven member States of the Arab League. The Council approved a resolution by its political Committee to set up the drafting body, which will be under the Chairmanship of Abdel Khalel Passuna Pasha, Under-Secretary of the Egyptian Foreign Ministry.

Military and economic experts will assist the Committee, which is to begin its work by November 10.

The Council also decided to set up a "Talestine Committee," which will sit permanently at Cairo to watch developments, and make recommendations to the Council, a spokesman said.

The meetings of the Council's 11th session ended tonight, but the session remains open and the Council may be summoned at short notice.

The Lebanese Prime Minister, Riad El Solh Bey, told reporters tonight that it had been "a successful session from all points of view."

Other delegates also declared themselves satisfied with the deliberations.

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WORKERS REFUSE TO LOAD ARMS

Marseilles, October 30.

Longshoremen members of the Communist-dominated General Labour Federation said today they would no longer load arms and munitions on ships bound for Indo-China. The decision is to take effect on November 2.

The French Communist party has long opposed the Government's military operations against the Viet Nam Nationalists, led by Ho Chi Minh.

Marseilles is the principal French port for traffic with the Far East.

There was no comment from Government sources nor any indication whether civilians have actually been loading arms for Indo-China.

Presumably the French Army could load its own transports in the future.

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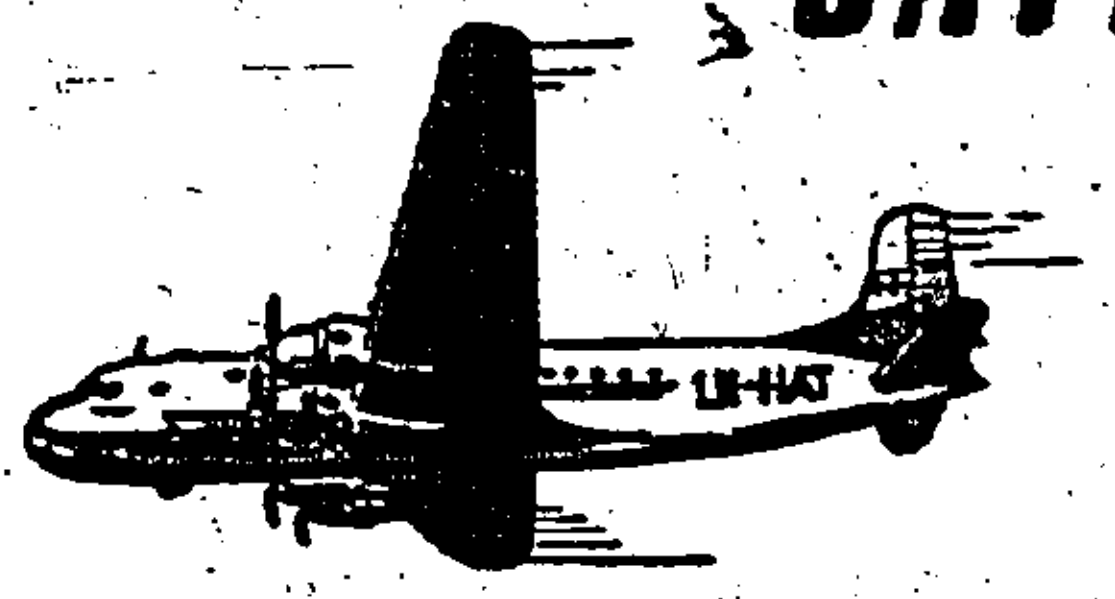
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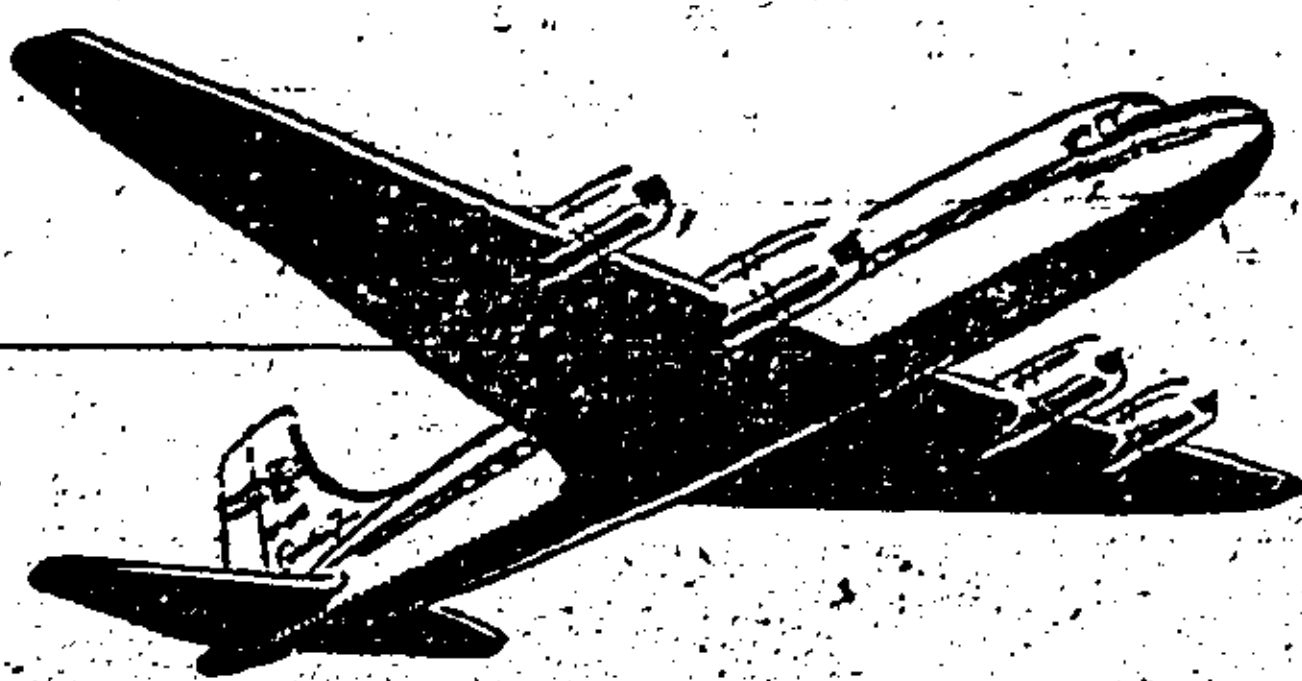
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INDO-CHINA

The oft-repeated hints emanating from French sources that Mr. Nehru, the Indian Prime Minister, is to be invited to mediate in the dispute in Indo-China, smack rather of an admission that the French-supported Government of Bao Dai has failed to gather the popular backing its sponsors had hoped for it. The latest feeler on the subject of mediation comes from the Paris newspapers, which assert that Mr. Nehru is to be approached by M. Ramadier, formerly a Minister in the Queuille Government, when M. Ramadier is in New Delhi for the International Labour Conference. Comment from Mr. Nehru himself is lacking, and reaction from Indian circles completely non-committal.

When France persuaded Bao Dai, the former Emperor of Annam, to assume the post of head of the State of Viet Nam, she no doubt hoped that a new stage in the harassing post-war history of Indo-China was to begin. The French for four years had faced in this extensive complex of backward Eastern lands a rather similar politico-military problem to that which the Dutch experienced in Indonesia. The cost of operations in manpower and money has weighed upon France hardly less severely than the parallel burden on the Netherlands. Laos and Cambodia have a new status as associate members of the French Union and as participants in the planned future Indo-Chinese Federation. Annam and the Northern protectorate of Tonkin have, from the time of the Japanese occupation, been the field for a more aggressive nationalist movement, seeking to establish a Republic under the name of Viet Nam.

Successive French Governments have tried to come to terms without any success. Meanwhile Dr. Ho Chi-minh, the veteran Moscow-trained Communist, the leader of the Viet Minh party—a nationalist coalition which has degenerated into an increasingly Communist-dominated group—continues to oppose the French in the field with, at times, considerable success. His party has been discredited with all French parties except the Communists and some left wing Socialists.

Bao Dai has been the French hope of restoring unity to Indo-China. Viet Nam has been granted independence, while an elected assembly in Cochinchina has voted accession to the new State. In addition, the French National Assembly has agreed to end the colonial status of Cochinchina. These were the triumphs which Bao Dai has been flourishing as head (as far as the French are concerned) of Viet Nam, uniting Tonkin and Annam with Cochinchina. Bao Dai has proved himself a nationalist and as not being wholly maleable to French policy, and it was this that led to French hopes that he would draw away from the Communist guerrillas much of the nationalist support which has enabled them to terrorise the roads and the countryside for so long. These hopes have apparently failed, and Mr. Nehru's mediation is perhaps the last card the French can play in their efforts to bring peace to this troubled land.

GREECE WILL BUILD AN OLYMPIC ACADEMY

By KEITH BUTLER

Forty young athletes from various countries will be able to attend an "Olympic Games University" in Greece next year according to the plans of the Hellenic Olympic Games Committee. They will follow a two-month holiday course which will enable them to return to their various countries and spread the Olympic idea of perfect balance between

E. Germans Form A Red Army

By EDWARD HOWE

During the last war Emil Ludwig, an eminent German living in exile, wrote of his countrymen: "Armed and under command, as a soldier, the German keeps his courage, but as a civilian without orders and superiors, he easily succumbs. Germans have often been anti-French, never anti-Russian."

Now a Soviet Ambassador is coming to Berlin. His duty will be not to stop the goose-stepping, but to see that it continues to march to Russian orders.

The People's Police is a combination of former Wehrmacht soldiers and defeated Nazi generals. It is a perfect blend of the fanatic militant Communist with the military genius of the German professional soldier. They have joined forces in Eastern Germany in a big way. What they have produced is not less than a camouflaged army equipped with modern weapons and carefully trained.

Originally the People's Police was designed to reach a strength of 60,000 men. But the hostile attitude of the mass of Germans towards applied Communism caused a change of plan. The number was increased. Recruited in the main from ex-Wehrmacht veterans the force is now estimated to be as strong as 120,000. The target aimed at by the Russians is 200,000.

On Their Feet

This "police" force has unusual equipment and training. Its members carry pistols, rifles or tommy-guns. They hold them always with grim look on their faces as though they are yearning to use them again.

Refresher courses in the use of ack-ack guns, driving tanks and armoured vehicles have been an important part of their training. The Russians have been generous in giving them T34 and T70 tanks.

But these men are favourites of the Russians.

Not long ago a Soviet official lost his temper when addressing some German political leaders. Bitterly he told them: "The only Germans Russia feels she can trust are the men who fought at Stalingrad."

Hitler's lost legions are finding their feet again.

Walter Ulbricht, old-standing Communist, jokingly known as the German Lenin, is one of the mystery powers behind the People's Police. When talking to some recruits he told them: "You are to be the militant arm of the revolution. Our final goal is for Communism to take over the State machinery. He who is not ready to take off his shirt for the Soviet Union is our enemy and must be destroyed."

Another mystery man is a certain Herr Zaisser, who was together with Ulbricht in Russia. During the Spanish Civil War he was known as "General Gomez". He retired to Germany in 1945 dressed in the uniform of a Soviet colonel.

These two, together with other sinister former Communists, have been working closely together with former Nazi generals such as Vincenz Muller, Martin Lattmann and von Lenski.

They have built up a police force that makes Hitler's famous SS look insignificant by comparison. Rendezvous for the militant personalities of Eastern Germany is the headquarters of the People's Police in the Wilhelmstrasse suburb of Berlin.

It is simply called "Police-Military Academy". Ex-Wehrmacht soldiers report here straight away after they have finished their preliminary training in Russia.

This is the headquarters of the Communist shadow army for the Soviet Zone.

mind and body. This is the real conception on which the ancient Greeks founded the Olympic Games.

Many modern sportsmen think Olympic idea of sport in life is forgotten. And they believe the ancient idea was the healthier one.

Veteran Greek sportsman and Olympic Committee member, Mr. John Ketskas, explained to me what led him to launch the idea of an "Olympic Academy" at the Rome meeting of the International Olympic Committee in April this year. He said the purpose for which the late Baron de Coubertin and his collaborators founded the modern Games is being forgotten.

The Baron once stated: "Olympic Games are both more and less than World Championships. Olympic Games should be permeated by history, art and philosophy; they should build noble traditions, bring order and beauty in the restoration of ancient measure and proportion in all things. I hope that over the years the Olympiads in their succession will help to give a regular rhythm to the life of sports, circumscribe it and preserve it from its own excesses."

Mr. Ketskas believes these ideals are being forgotten in the present-day passion to win at all costs. In defiance of the teachings of the ancient Greeks, sport is becoming specialised on the purely physical side.

Mr. Ketskas likes to quote a British sports writer, E. Norman Gardiner. "The place of physical training and of games in education, the place of athletics in our daily life are questions of great importance to us all, and in considering these questions we cannot fail to learn something from the athletic history of a nation which, for a time at least, succeeded in reconciling the rival claims of body and of mind and immortalised this result in its arts."

These are the ideas which prompted Mr. John Ketskas to suggest the creation of the IOC meeting in Rome this year. He found an interested response and the IOC invited the Hellenic

Olympic Committee to go ahead with the plans.

Eventually the Greeks intend to build the Olympic Academy on the site of ancient Olympia. But after the ravages of the guerrilla war they have yet neither the money nor the means. So for the next few years they hope to run the Academy in Athens, in buildings and training installations to be erected beside the restored stadium of ancient times. Modern Greek athletic competitions are still held in this great stadium of gleaming white Penteli marble.

Nearly all the money for the project is coming from private subscriptions, for the subsidies from the hard-up State are ridiculously small. But the Greeks are determined to start the Academy next year, even if on a small scale at first. Plans have been drawn up and the architects are working on the proposed site.

They may even use the dressing rooms of the stadium at first in order to get the scheme launched.

Driving Spirit

The driving spirit behind it is Mr. John Ketskas, who has dreamed of the plan ever since he discussed it with Baron Coubertin during the latter's visit to Greece in 1927. Both of them agreed that an Olympic Academy was an essential corrective to the growing specialisation of sport on the physical side. And both believed that Greece, because of tradition, standing reminders of Greece's Golden Age, landscape and atmosphere, was the right setting in which to build the Academy.

So at last, next year, or at the latest in 1952, Mr. John Ketskas will see Baron Coubertin's dream realised in Athens and later in Olympia itself.

At first 30 or 40 (later many more) young students from all over the world will come to Greece to learn the real Olympic idea. They will attend courses of lectures based on the History of the Olympic Games, Ancient and Modern; the general theory of sport and physical education; philosophy, art and social sciences and the mental background of physical culture, combined with practical physical training.

Scotland's Great Day

By WILLIAM POWER

An outstanding feature of the Scottish National Assembly, at whose third meeting, in Edinburgh, on Saturday, the Scottish Covenant was launched, is that it is the first big nation-wide representative gathering since the direct election of the House of Commons in 1929, directly affecting the people of Scotland as a whole, that has been held in Scotland since 1707.

Edinburgh, during the last 50 years, has been the scene of congresses and conferences innumerable. They were Scottish, British, global, religious, municipal, political, scientific, medical, literary, artistic, hobby-horsical.

All of them represented particular interests of "our people". The nearest to universality within Scotland was the historic Convention of Burghs, which, in its time, has put forward good schemes for reform in the government of Scotland.

The Scottish National Assembly represents all the major interests in Scotland, rural and urban, political and religious, economic and cultural. To put it more simply, it represents the Scottish nation, a political entity that has hitherto survived only, and rather feebly, in the Scottish Grand Committee.

It was an inspiring experience for the citizens of Edinburgh, as it is fitting, the major element in the public launching and initial signing of a national document that holds the direct promise of the restoration of Scotland of "legislation's powers," and to Edinburgh of full metropolitan status.

It was a day of simple but impressive ceremonial, with banners, appropriate music, and a procession to Parliament House for the initial signing. A festive day, for, though the duty to which the Covenant pledges us is no light one, the fulfilment of it will ensure success.

Fine Brave Scots

We think of the fine brave Scots, now gone, who, when the idea of Scottish self-government in Scottish affairs seemed to many people a romantic absurdity, wore themselves out in working for it. Men like William Gillies, Cunningham Graham, Angus Clark, and, particularly, that wise and accomplished Gael, Sir Alexander MacEwan.

That the results of their labours were not dissipated in the sectarian divisions to which the Scots have long been prone, but were canalised in a central and practical aim, was largely owing to the sagacious and indefatigable leadership of John M. MacCormick.

A National Assembly, convened by Scottish Convention, met in Glasgow in March, 1947. It adopted a plan of Scottish self-government for presentation to the Prime Minister. Mr. Atlee deputed the matter to the Secretary of State for Scotland. The Assembly Committee's meeting with Mr. Woodburn was unfruitful. Its Committee was instructed to enter on a nationwide campaign.

A few months ago, at the instance of James A.A. Porteous, there took place at Aberystwyth an informal conference that may prove historic. Kenneth MacCormick and his fellow-farmers consisted in their awareness that the real rulers of Scotland have always been the Scottish people. To them, as represented by their Assembly, the main movement for the needed reform in the government of Scotland is now committed.

It has already been signed, in a first draft, by the most eminent of living Scots, Lord Boyd Orr.

Such, in outline, is the story of the origin of the Scottish Covenant, which, in its declaration of active loyalty to the Scottish nation and to the Crown and the United Kingdom, accurately interprets the feelings of the people of Scotland.

For the statesmanship of MacCormick and his fellow-farmers consists in their awareness that the real rulers of Scotland have always been the Scottish people. To them, as represented by their Assembly, the main movement for the needed reform in the government of Scotland is now committed.

NAVY SECRETARY IGNORES CRITICS

Washington, October 30. The Secretary of the Navy, Mr. Francis P. Matthews, has announced that he will ignore Congressional demands for his resignation following the dismissal of Rear Admiral Louis E. Denfeld as Chief of Naval Operations.

Mr. Matthews denied that he had recommended Admiral Denfeld's removal in reprisal for his blunt testimony before the House of Representatives Armed Services Committee. Rather,

tuition will be given by experts and professors, appointed by the Hellenic Olympic Committee in collaboration with the IOC. The Greek Ministry of Education will send the invitations to the appropriate authorities in each country. In Greece all expenses will be borne by the Hellenic Olympic Committee; only travelling expenses to and from Greece will be the responsibility of the visiting student or lecturer. Each country will provide scholarships to the Olympic Academy. The National Olympic Committee will choose the students from those with the right qualifications to become the future Olympic Leaders—in the true Olympic spirit.

Sir Harry Fights On

Late on the night of August 22 a bulletin was issued which told the world that Sir Harry Lauder was sinking fast.

But since that time, ten weeks ago, almost daily messages from his home have revealed the determination of Sir Harry to keep his grip on life.

All his days, right from the time he was a 95-a-week pitboy, and even before that, Harry Lauder has been an unusual personality.

He celebrated his 75th birthday on August 4, and seemed as hale and hearty as ever. Eleven days later he went to the pictures, and when he got back to Lauder Hall, the turreted greystone mansion he had built years ago in the hills above Glasgow, he complained of a pain in his left leg. Next day it was plain he was very ill. His boyhood friend and old doctor, John Stewart, was sent for, though he was living in retirement. Stewart, having examined the man with whom he had swapped a lifetime of jokes and tales, shook his head and said he would like to stay at the Hall if they would have him, and send him into Glasgow for specialists.

The services of no fewer than four of them were engaged. There was reason. The trouble that had stricken Sir Harry was thrombosis—a malady that swings from the presence of a blood clot in veins or arteries and has a bad fatality record.

By August 22 it seemed the end could be only a matter of hours. A bulletin issued late that night told the world "Sir Harry is unconscious and is sinking fast."

But it did not happen like that. When the specialists went back next day the old man was still very firmly putting up a fight. It was the same the next day, and the next—right on until, today no fewer than ten weeks will have passed since that night in August.

Lauder's battle with the death that seemed so imminent has amazed his medical men.

Everyone around "Sir Harry," it seems, knows how critically ill he is save Sir Harry himself.

He spends most of the hours in deep sleep, from which he comes back to wakefulness for periods lasting only a few minutes at a time.

But he feels no pain, and is not receiving injections of any kind. "He needs no injections to keep him going—it's his spirit that is doing that," say the doctors.



Twist Scylla and Charybdis. An irritated pedestrian writes in to say it must have taken a lot of scientific planning by our traffic department to calculate the Pedder Street-Des Voeux Road lights so exactly that they always leave everyone marooned half way across the street.

One of the airlines provides their passengers with sticks of chewing gum labelled, "To prevent unpleasant pressure in your ears during take-off and landing." The other day a lady appealed plaintively to the stewardess: "Help me get this stuff out of my ears. It doesn't help, anyway."

Tritism: A type of rust that affects iron curtains.

Can You Beat It? Once it was a kingdom for a horse. Now it's province for a plane ticket.

What the Reds intend to do about the Nationalist gunboats will be explained later. It is still all in the air up North....

By The Peach Flower River Dark eyes neath a moonlight dreaming

By The Peachflower Stream, Though the stars above are gleaming Brighter yet you seem Softly from your pipe playing Dancing on their way Through the scented dusk come straying Love's light and gay Little maiden, long I'm waiting And the hour grows late Say why are you hesitating Strumming at the gate?

There is only one Fibul on the beach down in Bangkok.

"The vessel waited while the animal trainer was summoned, and after a three hours' struggle he was lassoed and pulled into a waiting cage." Thus giving him a taste of his own medicine.

Then there was the woman who thought that ECAFE was a kind of new powdered eggnog drink.

Disillusioned, probably. "All male persons between the ages of 21 and 60, except those incapable of earning a support from being married or otherwise disabled."

It is reliably understood that the Indo-China frontier will be positively the last "bastion"....

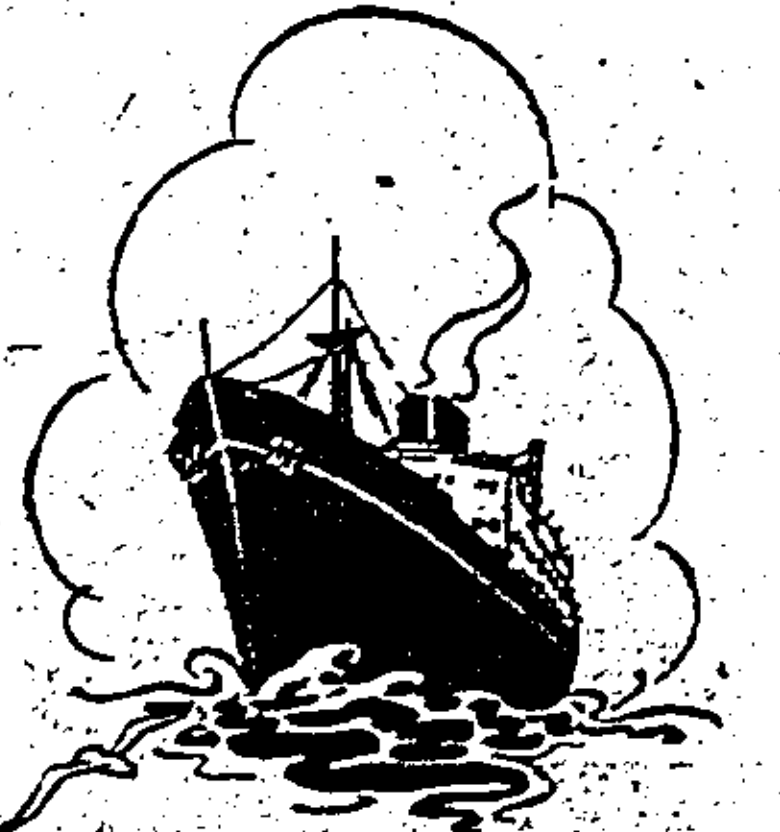
All the best collaborators are getting their red "Down With The Anglo-American Imperialist" sashes out again to become collaborators.

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MARSHALL PLAN FOR SE ASIA UNDER WAY

Blueprints Now Being Drawn Up In U.S. PLAN TO BE PUT BEFORE CONGRESS NEXT YEAR

Paris, October 30.

United States experts are working on preliminary blueprints for a Marshall Plan for Asia, an American official disclosed today.

Early planning contemplates requests to the U.S. Congress next summer for between \$1,000,000,000 and \$1,250,000,000 for the first year of the programme to help halt Communism in Asia.

Smaller allotments would be requested for the next two or three years. Under present planning most of the funds would go to South East Asia.

ATOMIC TREATY POSSIBLE

Lake Success, October 30.

Mr. Lester Pearson, the Canadian Minister for External Affairs, disclosed in a broadcast interview here that several delegates to the United Nations General Assembly are discussing a possible compromise on atomic control.

He said under that compromise the ownership and operational functions of the proposed international agency would be diminished in exchange for the right of a continuous and rigid inspection against violations.

The "New York Times" wrote today that the United States Government has accepted the principle of a more liberal exchange of atomic information with Britain and Canada after Britain had reassured the United States that she would continue, and if possible, improve shipments of raw materials for making the atom bomb—such as uranium.

Methods of achieving the freer exchange are being studied, according to the newspaper's diplomatic correspondent in Washington, James Reston.

One method would be for the President to negotiate a new atomic executive agreement with Britain and Canada that would be placed before Congress.

Britain, the correspondent said, was understood to be in favour of this method. "The present agreement governing the exchange of atomic information among the three countries and the allocation of vital raw materials comes to an end at the beginning of January," the correspondent said.—Reuter.

HUNGER STRIKE AT AN END

Mons. October 30.

Fifty displaced persons living in Army barracks here have ended a hunger strike which they began nine days ago, it was announced today.

Three hundred displaced persons had originally joined the strike and hoisted black flags over the barracks as a sign of protest.

Their two-year contracts for work in Belgian coal mines having ended, the displaced persons demanded to be sent back to Western Germany, from where they hope to emigrate to Australia or the United States.

The police had to be called last week to restore order when the displaced persons stormed the dining room. They called off the strike after Cardinal Himmer, the Bishop of Tournai, had visited the camp.—Reuter.

REMAINS OF CRASH VICTIMS

Paris, October 30.

The bodies of the 48 victims of the Azores air disaster are lying in the tiny hamlet of Algarvia on San Miguel Island and will be brought to the island "capital" of Ponta Delgada tomorrow, Air France announced here tonight.

Wrapped in white canvas, the remains of the French violinist, Ninette Neveu, former world middleweight champion boxer, Marcel Cerdan, and others were today brought down, precious mountain tracks, which were made doubly dangerous by rain, from where the Constellation airliner crashed on Friday morning.

M. Louis de Miroville, the Inspector General of French Civil Aviation, is on San Miguel arranging for the bodies to be brought to France by sea in lead coffins.—Reuter.

Birth Rate In Britain On Increase

London, October 30.

Births in England and Wales in 1947 reached the highest total for 28 years, official statistics revealed today. With 831,025 live births, the rate was 20.5 per thousand to the population, but provisional figures for 1948 indicate that it fell in that year to 17.3.

Illegitimacy in 1947 continued to increase. In the same year the marriage rate rose slightly, but there were almost twice as many divorces as in 1946.

The most popular age for marrying was 23 for men and 21 for women.—Reuter.

LABOUR LEADER ATTACKS RUSSIA

Cleveland, October 30.

The CIO President, Philip Murray, today charged that the work of the United Nations in many respects was "frustrated by the Soviet Union and the so-called people's democracies through the misuse of the veto power and the transformation of international conferences into platforms for propaganda and abuse."

In a 67-page report to the 11th annual convention of the Congress of Industrial Organizations here, Mr. Murray termed the United Nations "our best hope for peace" and said that in order to check the threats of Soviet aggression in the absence of world collective security "our Government has joined with the Western European democracies in the Atlantic Pact."

"Our foreign economic policy is slowly being developed in accordance with our responsibilities as a world power aiming at world peace and prosperity," he said. The CIO regarded the North Atlantic Pact as a "necessary development" to supplement the European Recovery Programme.

He said his organization recognized that the basis for world peace and stability is economic recovery of European nations, and recalled that during the recently adjourned session of the Congress the CIO "worked steadfastly to insure the effectiveness of the Economic Co-operation Administration."—United Press.

BOATS MISSING

Paris, October 30.

Seven Breton tunny fishing boats, with 39 men on board, were reported to be missing today after the storms in the Atlantic early in the week.

Hope has not yet been given up. Nine other tunny boats or trawlers were taken or sunk with a loss of 19 lives.—Reuter.

AMERICAN NAVY STRENGTH CUT

Washington, October 30.

The U.S. Navy said today that it is taking 77 ships out of active service. This will cut the operating fleet by 31 warships in line with budget reductions.

Of the fighting ships to be put in reserve, 15 will come from the Pacific Fleet—two escort carriers, two cruisers, six destroyers and five submarines.

By the middle of next year, the U.S. Fleet will be made up of 237 combat vessels instead of the 288 it had in September. The Fleet will be reduced by four aircraft carriers plus the craft which support them.

The Navy announcement spelled out reductions announced earlier. It followed the disclosure that the Navy and Marine Corps manpower will be whittled—by \$4,890 men by next July 1 to correspond with the reduction in ships.

The Secretary of Defence, Mr. Louis Johnson, is aiming at a thirteen billion dollar budget for the fiscal year beginning next July 1. That is two and a half billion below the current record peacetime military budget.

Pacific Fleet

The breakdown in Navy cut-back orders was coincidental with the uproar over the dismissal of its top officer, Admiral Louis E. Denfeld, as Chief of Staff.

The possibility grew that other naval officers who fought unification of American Armed Services may also be in for trouble. Today's announcement did not say how many combat vessels the U.S. would keep in the Pacific. Last summer there were 97 fighting craft in the Pacific, 174 in the Atlantic.

Possible shifting between the two Fleets during the next six months makes uncertain any estimate of the size of either force by next summer.

In addition to the warships, 42 other craft will be put into the reserve list. These include landing vessels, tankers, an attack transport, seaplane tenders and a hospital ship.—Associated Press.

BELGIAN TROOPS LEAVE BONN

Bonn, October 30.

The last Belgian occupation troops today evacuated the enclave of Bonn, the West German provisional capital. Bonn has thus become the first German area to be freed from occupation forces.

The Belgian Guard of Honour at the Belgian Occupation Army Headquarters here was withdrawn this morning. The Belgian Commanding General, J. Eizen, has moved his Headquarters to Welden Junkersdorf, near Cologne.—Reuter.

BITTER ELECTION CAMPAIGN

Washington, October 30.

Mr. Herbert Lehman (Democrat) and Mr. John Foster Dulles (Republican), two of American's leading internationalists, are campaigning bitterly against each other in the contest for New York's seat in the Senate which is coming up for election next week.

Mr. Lehman, a former Democratic Governor of New York, is a Wall Street banker who was appointed by President Roosevelt to head the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration (UNRRA) after the war. Mr. Dulles is a Wall Street lawyer who was to have been Governor Thomas Dewey's Secretary of State if the Republicans had won last year's Presidential elections.

The election is not being fought out on foreign policy issues. Both candidates are more or less agreed in supporting President Truman's foreign policy. The issues over which the campaign is being fought are the expansion of the social security system proposed by President Truman, national health insurance, Federal aid to education and the formation of a government department for welfare services.—Reuter.

RAF APPOINTMENT

London, October 30.

Air Marshal Sir John Baker has been appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Middle East Air Force as from February, 1950, in place of Air Marshal Sir William Dickson, who will join the Air Council as member for supply and organisation, it was announced here today.

Baker is 52. He has been Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Coastal Command, since November, 1948. Dickson, 51, has been Commander-in-Chief of the Middle East Air Force since March, 1948.—Reuter.



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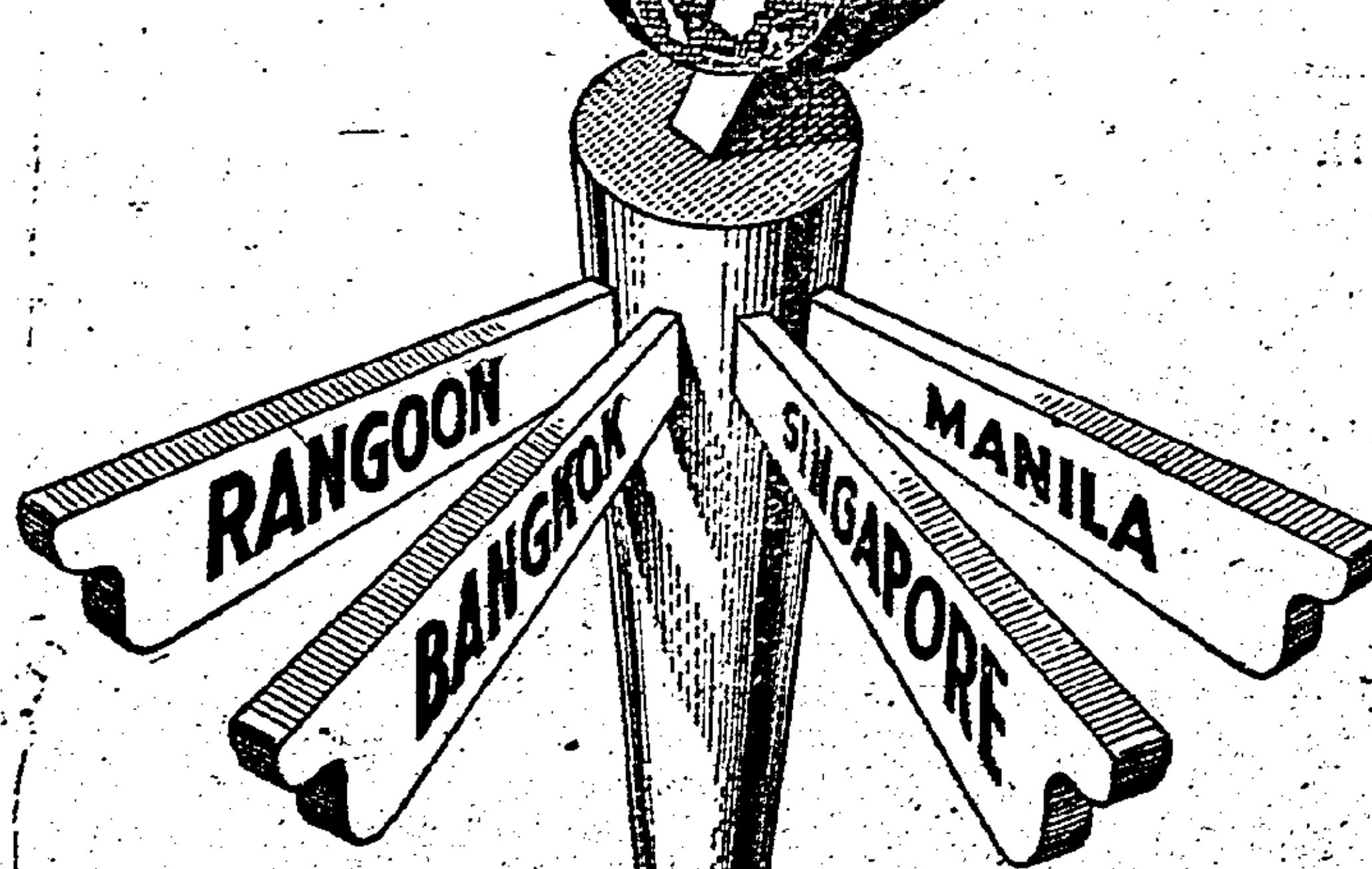
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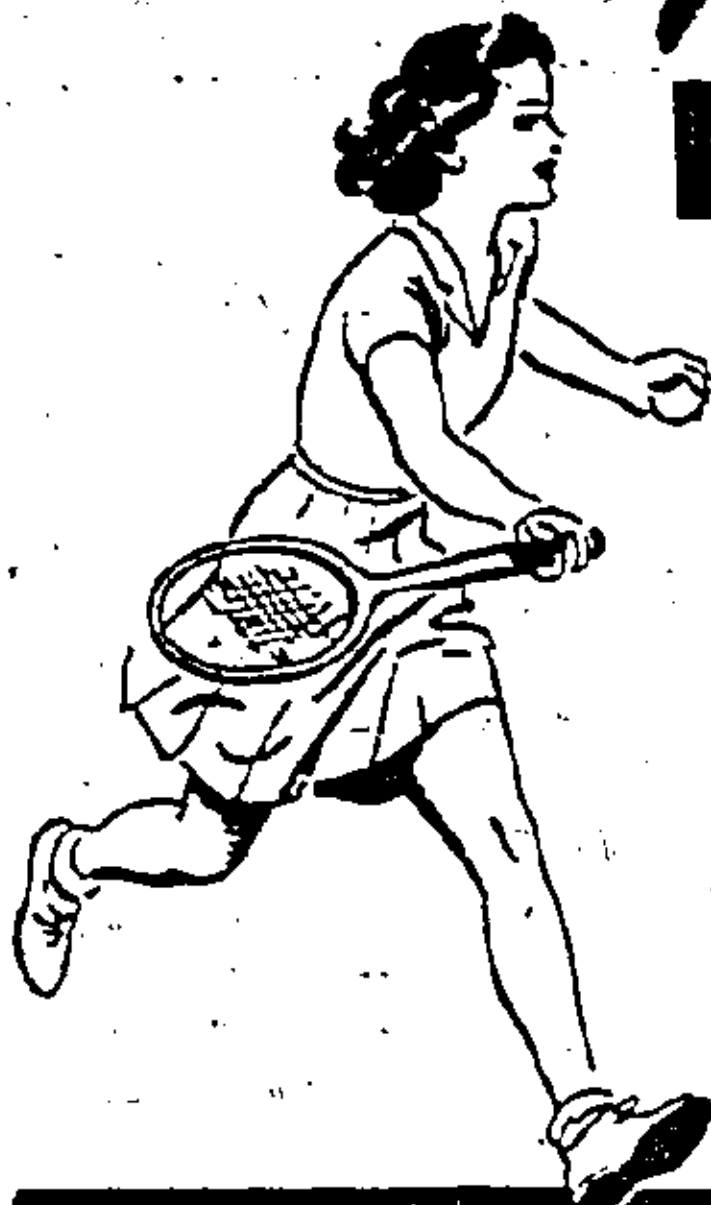
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SINGAPORE MEETING TO DISCUSS EFFECT OF RECOGNITION

Singapore, October 30.

Senior British political and Service chiefs in Asia and the Far East, meeting here this week, are expected to draw up plans to deal with any adverse reaction in Hong Kong and Malaya to a British recognition of the Communist regime in China.

Political observers believe that the 17-month old state of emergency in Malaya has succeeded only in "checking" the revolt of local Communists.

The terrorists are dominated by a "hard core" of Communists, and there is evidence to support the fact that the guerilla leaders are holding out for promised "material and moral aid" from the Chinese Communists.

Few observers see an end to this emergency until the fanatical Communist leaders in the jungle are silenced, and the hope of aid from outside Communists vanishes.

Senior British representatives are on their way to Singapore for the conference, which was called by the Commissioner-General in South East Asia, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald.

The talks open on November 2 at Bukit Serene. Mr. MacDonald's residence just across the causeway from Singapore in Johore.

Mr. David Rees-Williams, Parliamentary Under-Secretary at the Colonial Office, senior Foreign Office representatives and British Army, Navy and Air Force Chiefs in the Far East, will also attend.

The Malayan question is expected to be one of the main topics.

The most optimistic view in official circles is that "fairly steady but unspectacular progress" has been made in the drive against the terrorists.

Still Getting Recruits

Nearly 1,500 guerillas have been killed or captured since the emergency began, but the year-old official estimate that organised groups are from 3,000 to 5,000 strong still stands.

High officials admit that the gangs are still getting recruits, mostly young men and women. The terrorists still have tens of thousands of helpers, voluntary and otherwise, and the security forces are arresting them at the rate of more than 1,000 a month.

The intensified military offensive launched in Central Malaya two months ago has resulted in a slight higher rate of terrorist casualties, but some security force leaders complain that it has merely proved once again that the hit-and-run tactics of the guerillas and the rugged jungle make it impossible to come to grips with the enemy.

The authorities consider it most unlikely that the terrorists are in radio contact with China, but it is known that members of the Malayan Communist Party who escaped to China are now active in Peking.

Anglo-U.S. Differences

Conflicts between Britain and the U.S. on basic policies in Asia, Germany and foreign trade are gnawing at Western political unity. But they are still friendly conflicts.

Talks with Western power diplomats indicate there is neither rancour nor bitterness in these Government-level differences; they seem to be the result of basically divergent principles and points of view.

Diplomatic informants painted this picture of differences over Asia:

Moved possibly by a desire to save investments estimated at \$500,000,000, the British are ready to let the Americans to recognise Mao Tse-tung's Communist regime in China. They argue that the Chinese Communists may be forced to look West-

ward for machinery, capital equipment and tools that Soviet Russia cannot easily supply.

The United States view is that recognition should be withheld until the Chinese Communists promise to uphold old treaty pledges. It wants assurances that the regime is not dominated by Moscow and that it will maintain an open door to Western trade.

The British hold that, to insist on these things, would drive the Chinese closer to the Russians.

Japan Policy

Britain frankly dislikes the American line in Japan. Policies of General Douglas MacArthur, Supreme Allied Commander, worry British foreign Office, Treasury and Commonwealth leaders.

They see Japan being built up as a serious competitor for the rich trade of the Orient. They fear her as a rising political force which might swing to Russia. Japan industries—with cheap labour—produce the same kind of goods as Britain—such as textiles and machinery.

The United States, however, wants to end the burden of the Japanese occupation by making the country self-supporting. Other points of difference—Germany—Britain and the United States disagree on how far to trust the Germans.

Britain is beset by a lingering suspicion of German politics, fears a war of revenge. Her manufacturers are worried by the German industrial machine.

Trade Rivalry

Latest Anglo-American flurries centre around future dismantling and control of that machine. The United States would like to harness it to strengthen the anti-Communist front in Europe.

The U.S. wants to woo Germany, not to control her, so that in a future war she would fight with the West.

Foreign Trade—Britain and the United States often rival each other. Commercially both powers need foreign markets for their goods.

Britain has a world-girdling trading system which enables her to sell her goods on better terms than the United States. In the Commonwealth and colonies, preferential tariffs give price advantages to British goods.

The system works much the same way as America's own protective tariffs.

The United States has been trying to break down Empire Preference and Britain has worked for the lowering of American tariffs. Neither has had a lot of success.

A chronic shortage of gold and dollars has driven Britain to do much of her foreign business on a barter basis. The United States frowns on this, preferring free competition.

The British believe the next thing the United States is going to work for is a breakdown of the sterling area, for which Britain is the banker. This would enable American goods to crash into traditionally British markets.

—Reuter and Associated Press.

EL Alamein Battle Reunion



Field Marshal Lord Montgomery (left) with Winston Churchill, the guest of honour, at the Eighth Army's annual Alamein Reunion at the Empress Hall, Earl's Court, London. Mr. Churchill said the Battle of Alamein ranks amongst the most famous victories in British history, and marked the turning point in our military fortunes in the war. (AP Photo).

AMERICAN GOLD LOAN TO EUROPE SUGGESTED

Paris, October 30.

Dr. Franz Bluecher, West German Vice-Chancellor, today suggested that the United States could help achieve free convertibility of European currencies by lending gold to Europe for a currency stabilisation fund.

Gold lent for such a purpose would be fruitful instead of "lying sterile at Fort Knox", he said to Reuter on his arrival here.

European economic unity required one plan for Europe and not 18 separate national plans, Dr. Bluecher declared.

The German Government, he added, was unanimous in its support of any steps toward complete liberalisation of European trade.

The Vice-Chancellor, who is here to head the German delegation to the Organisation of European Economic Co-operation, will be the first German leader to speak independently for his country at an international conference since the war.

"I have come here to learn, not to teach", he said when asked what policy he would defend or support in Europe's Marshall Aid organisation.

Free convertibility of European currencies—the first American condition for European trade unity—could be helped, he explained, by providing gold for a European currency stabilisation fund, possibly through a federal bank of Western Europe.

An Asset

Gold lent for such a purpose could constitute a live money-earning asset in America's balance of payments.

At 53, Dr. Bluecher looks much younger than his years. He suggests a judicious mixture of professor and business magnate with iron grey hair.

"I feel profoundly optimistic about the future of Europe", he said, "provided we can take a plunge into the cold but invigorating sea of economic liberalism."

MERCY APPEAL

Ahmedabad, October 30. Mr. K. G. Mashruwala, a close associate of the late Mahatma Gandhi and an editor of Harijan, which Gandhi once edited, today appealed through Harijan for clemency for Nathuram Vinayak Godse, under sentence of death for Gandhi's assassination.

"Granting life to a murderer even without his asking would be the supreme act of grace," he wrote.—Reuter.

MUKDEN ARREST PROTEST

Washington, October 30.

The State Department has protested to the Chinese Communist Government against the arrest in Mukden of Angus Ward, American Consul-General there, allegedly for assaulting a Chinese former employee.

The Department told the Peking Consulate to protest and to remind the Communist authorities of their earlier assurances that Ward would be allowed to leave for the United States.

A Peking Communist Radio broadcast last night said that Mr. Ward and four other Consulate staff members, who allegedly also took part in the assault, would be brought before a People's Court.

Department officials said that the charge against Ward was of the "filmmist sort" and the second planned attack against the American diplomatic mission in the Manchurian city. The first consisted of charges last spring that the Consulate was operating a spy ring.

Officials said that Mr. Ward had been virtually a prisoner of the Chinese Communists under what amounted to house arrest since last May.

In the circumstances, guards would have been able to prevent the alleged beating of the former employee who was said to have demanded pay due to him, they added.

The Chinese Communists took Mukden a year ago. Last May the State Department instructed Mr. Ward to close his office. Since then his departure from Mukden has been prevented by his inability to obtain transport, officials said.—Reuter.

Konstanz, October 30.

The Mayor of Teheran, Idn Wazura, who is on his way to Munich to discuss the possible emigration of German specialists to Persia, has arrived at Saering on the Rhine.—Reuter.

Sino-Russian Clash At UN

Lake Success, October 30.

The United Nations is getting previews of what is expected to be the bitterest debate of the current assembly—Nationalist China's charges against Soviet Russia.

The feeling on both sides is so strong that the subject has been cropping up in the midst of debate on other political issues.

Angered by gibes hurled by Russia's Andrei V. Vyshinsky, a Chinese delegate recently interrupted debate on the threats to peace in the Balkans to cite an instance of alleged Soviet aid to Chinese Reds. He declared Russia had turned over to the Chinese Reds arms taken from the Japanese.

A Chinese delegation spokesman said today his Government had prepared a long list of what it described as violations of the 1945 friendship treaty between China and Russia.

The main thesis is that Rus-

sia has provided arms and other aid to the Chinese Reds who have driven the Nationalist Government back to the wartime capital at Chungking.

The Western powers have not yet been drawn into the Russian-Chinese tangle.

Mr. Warren R. Austin, permanent U.S. delegate to the UN has indicated that the most to be expected at this time would be an expression of moral indignation.

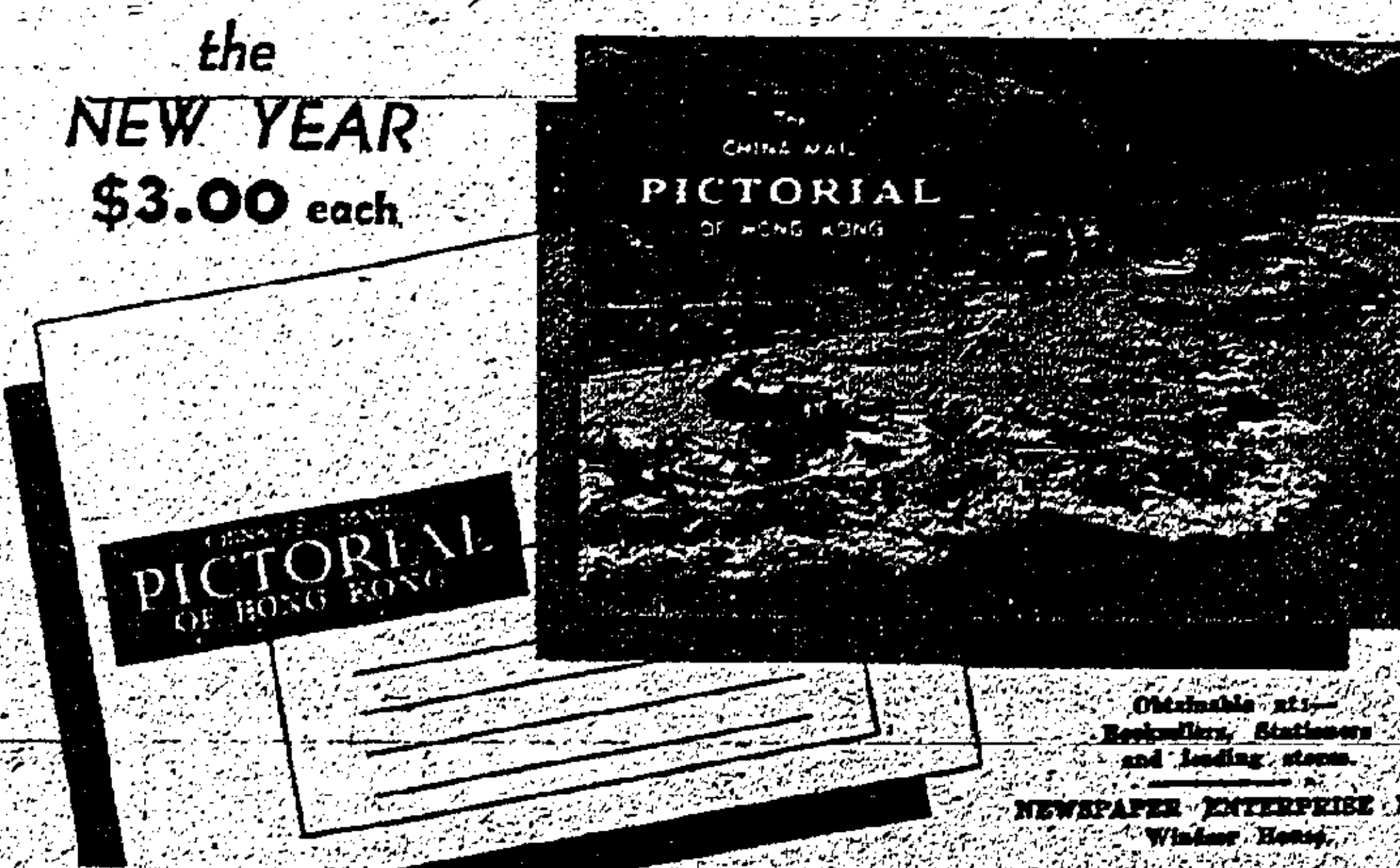
He pointed out that no resolution of the UN Assembly could change the course of events in China.

Only forceful action could do that, and neither the U.S. nor Britain is prepared to do anything forceful about China.—Associated Press.

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EUROPEAN PLANS TO REMOVE BARRIERS TO FREE TRADING

Margaret May Visit Canada

London, October 30. A Buckingham Palace source said today that there was a strong possibility that Princess Margaret might visit Canada and the United States next summer.

Princess Margaret may first go to Canada in July to attend the official celebrations of the Highland Light Infantry of Canada, of which she is Colonel-in-Chief, and then go to the United States for a private visit, the source said.

Early this year, an invitation was sent to the Princess, asking her to attend the ceremony of the regiment. It was understood that at the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' conference in London this summer, it was proposed that King George should be officially requested to sanction the visit.—United Press.

PRESS UNION DISPUTE

Brussels, October 30. The Professional Union of the Belgian Press voted at a meeting of its General Assembly today to withdraw from the International Organisation of Journalists, which has its headquarters in Prague.

In a resolution adopted with only two dissenting votes, the Assembly decided that "the Professional Union of the Belgian Press has nothing more to do with the International Organisation of Journalists, as it is functioning at present, and that a notification of the withdrawal of the Professional Union will be made without delay at the International Organisation's headquarters."

The Assembly also approved the decision of its Organising Committee not to sponsor the next meeting of the International Organisation of Journalists, due to be held in Brussels next December.

The resolution regretted "that a spirit of conciliation it has not been possible to re-establish harmony and good understanding within the International Organisation of Journalists."

Britain's principal journalists' body, the National Union of Journalists, voted in June to withdraw from the International Organisation of Journalists because it had been "consistently used for purposes of violent political propaganda."—Reuter.

Defence Leaders Meet In London

London, October 30. The Defence Ministers and Service Chiefs of Britain, Norway and Denmark are meeting here tomorrow to discuss the setting up of the northern regional defence group of the Atlantic Pact.

This is the first of the new regional groups set up by the Atlantic Pact Defence Ministers in Washington earlier this month to discuss practical details.

The Western Union powers' group has been fully functioning for some time and will provide a model for the new regional groups, which in addition to the Northern group will include the Southern and Atlantic Ocean regional groups.

It is expected that the two latter groups will hold their first meetings in London some time next month. Each group will select its own headquarters.

Under the terms of the North Atlantic Alliance, the area covered extends from North America to the Mediterranean and from the Tropic of Cancer to the North Pole.

The decision to create regional defence groups was taken by the Foreign Ministers of the signatory States when they met in Washington in the summer.

When each group has selected its headquarters, meetings of senior staff officers will be held to appoint secretariats and to bring the regions into being. The Consultative Council of the Western Union, on which Britain is represented by Mr. Ernest Bevin, but Foreign Secretary, is meeting

Paris, October 30. OEEC officials tonight did not hide their apprehension lest Mr. Paul Hoffman, the Marshall Plan Administrator, might still regard their week-end trade-freeing plans as inadequate. Earlier the seven-Power "Economic Cabinet" had endorsed a British plan, drafted by Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer, for liberalising European trade.

American impatience with European slowness in getting rid of trade barriers and unifying European economy has for months been privately conveyed to European OEEC leaders by American Economic Co-operation Aid officials.

The United States Congress, the leaders were told, demanded "specific accomplishment" toward economic union. They were insistent that on this depended adequate third and fourth Marshall Plan dollar allocations.

As far back as August 16, Mr. Hoffman told OEEC delegation heads, "I say to you again and again, now is the time when there must be proof of accomplishment in genuine co-operation to make Europe a single market."

In addition to the British plan, the "Economic Cabinet" today considered proposals made by the French Government.

Four main points in the French proposals were:

"General Staff"
(1) Agreement to divide third and fourth-year Marshall aid among the OEEC nations on the same basis as this year, thus cutting out months of negotiations within the OEEC and enabling European nations to plan ahead. (This proposal is supported by most OEEC countries, including Britain.)

(2) The OEEC to become Europe's economic General Staff with emphasis on strategic planning instead of as hitherto on tactical planning.
(3) Co-ordination of investments not only between Governments but also between the same industries.
(4) Investigation of the need for a federal reserve bank for Western Europe.

Other delegations felt that the French plan would need more detailed and concrete definition before their own attitudes to it could be decided.

Hoffman Sees Cripps

An Italian plan was also discussed for the first time today at an afternoon meeting of the seven-Power Consultative Group. It dealt mainly with the problems of manpower and the free movement of labour within the OEEC countries.

The British Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Cripps, and the Marshall Plan Administrator, Mr. Paul Hoffman, conferred for nearly an hour here today on the eve of tomorrow's important meeting of the Council of the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation.

The seven-Power "Economic Cabinet" has endorsed a British plan drafted by Sir Stafford Cripps providing for export and import control to be abolished on at least half of the private trade of most Marshall nations before Christmas.

Britain has already freed 82 per cent of her private trade. The Cripps Plan would not apply to Switzerland, Belgium and Western Germany.

Only Holland has so far produced a list of goods to be freed from control as comprehensive as the British list, it was learned in OEEC circles.

The "freer trade" plan includes "police" powers for the OEEC. Nations will be requested to submit regular reports on their liberalisation efforts and their representatives may be examined on them by the OEEC.—Reuter.

New Strong Man Rises In Albania

Washington, October 30. A new Communist "strong man" is reported to be gradually taking over control of Albania from Premier Hoxha. Reports reaching Western diplomats say that Lieutenant-General Mehmet Shehu, the Moscow-trained Army Chief of Staff, appears to be the actual ruler of the country now.

Premier Hoxha, the Albanian leader for five years, is reported to have been shoved into the background although he retains the title of Premier at least for the time being.

General Shehu is only 35. He is not only army chief but Chief of the Secret Police, Interior Minister and Vice-Premier.

Western diplomats picture him as the most ruthless Communist in Albania. He gained considerable fame in Albania during the war by leading the first Albanian partisan division in many deadly raids against the Germans and Italians.

After the war he went to Moscow for a course at the Voroshilov Military Academy and returned a year later as Army Chief of Staff to begin challenging Hoxha for power.

Previously, he had led a battalion in the International Brigade during the Spanish civil war.

Diplomatic officials say that General Shehu is undoubtedly Moscow's most trusted link, possibly because a man of his iron-fisted ruthlessness is needed in the present difficult Albanian situation.

The reports of the apparent shift in leadership coincide with evidence of a serious economic crisis in that country, which is now Moscow's last outlet to the Adriatic Sea.

An increasing shortage of food and consumer goods is reported to have fanned the unrest in Albania to the point where recently the number one Communist in North Central Albania was killed by anti-Government guerrillas.—Associated Press.

New French Premier



Following the failure of Socialist Jules Moch and Radical René Mayer, the M.R.P. leader Georges Bidault accepted an invitation from President Vincent Auriol to form a new Cabinet. Photo shows M. Bidault making a statement to reporters on leaving the President at Elysee Palace. (AP Photo).

EUROPE MUST IMPROVE ITS ECONOMIC LOT

Washington, October 30.

Eastern and Western Europe are racing to improve the economic lot of their citizens and the West must hold its lead if it would triumph over Soviet ideology. This is according to the Economic Co-operation Administrator, Paul Hoffman.

In a News Service broadcast transcribed before his departure for Paris last week, he said the Western nations "must not underestimate the effort of Russia which is extending to improve the standard of living of those under the hammer and sickle. There is competition between free nations of Western Europe and the captives of Communism in Eastern Europe in this field of material well being."



Mr. Hoffman

Mr. Hoffman said that at present the standard of living in Western Europe is higher than that of Russia but that it must be kept higher. "In order to win against the ideology and godlessness of Russia we must first win on the economic front, and an increase in living standards is the final answer of how well we are succeeding."

"Unholy Mess"
The Marshall Plan programme is proceeding ahead of schedule but he urged the Western European nations to make "herculean" efforts to speed their economic unity.

Europe has made an "unholy mess" of trade restrictions during the past 25 years and must take drastic measures to "work her way out of this self-created mess."

Stating that the first phase of the recovery job is done, he said the major problem now is to help Europe increase her dollar earnings so that she can buy and pay for her imports from the United States.

ECONOMIC MISSION TO JAPAN

Tokyo, October 30. The California Industrialist, Mr. Harold F. Sheets, told the United Press today that he was on an economic mission to Japan independent from that of Detroit banker, Mr. Joseph M. Dodge who arrived with him this morning aboard the same Pan American plane.

"I have been asked out here by General Douglas MacArthur to help advise him on broad economic problems of Japan," Mr. Sheets said.

"I am here to see how we can continue to take more and more of the occupation burden off the American taxpayer and help reorientate Japan's economy."

Mr. Sheets, who has an imposing record in both public life and private industry served as deputy for Army Under-Secretary, Mr. Tracy Voorhees, until Western Germany was turned over to the State Department. He also was a former chairman of board of directors for Socony Vacuum Oil Company of New York. His home is in Santa Barbara, California.

"It is much too early to answer any specific questions as to what I am going to do," Mr. Sheets said.

"I have got to talk first with General MacArthur—who has done a grand job in Japan—and then in a few weeks I may have more to say. He expects to stay in Japan for five or six weeks but has no plans to return with Mr. Dodge for whom he has the highest praise."

"We are on separate missions," Mr. Sheets said. "But I expect we will see a lot of each other."—United Press.

Russians Bar U.S. Newsman

New York, October 30.

The New York "Herald Tribune" reported today that Joseph Newman, its Moscow correspondent for two years who is now in Paris, had been barred from returning to the Soviet Union.

It also announced that it would begin publication this week of 15 uncensored reports by Newman of life in the Soviet Union. The newspaper said editorially that Newman was the latest American victim of a determined Soviet drive to exclude Western newspapermen from Russia.

"Other reporters have been forced out by the clumsy method of false espionage charges," it asserted. "In Newman's case a more refined procedure was employed. He left the country with a promise that he could return. When he tried to go back, he received the silent treatment—no visa."—Reuter.

MORE JEWS FOR ISRAEL

Budapest, October 30.

A reliable source said today that Hungary and Israel recently concluded an agreement under which 3,000 Hungarian Jews with close relatives in Israel would be permitted to emigrate.

It was understood that only Jews over a certain age would be permitted to go.—United Press.



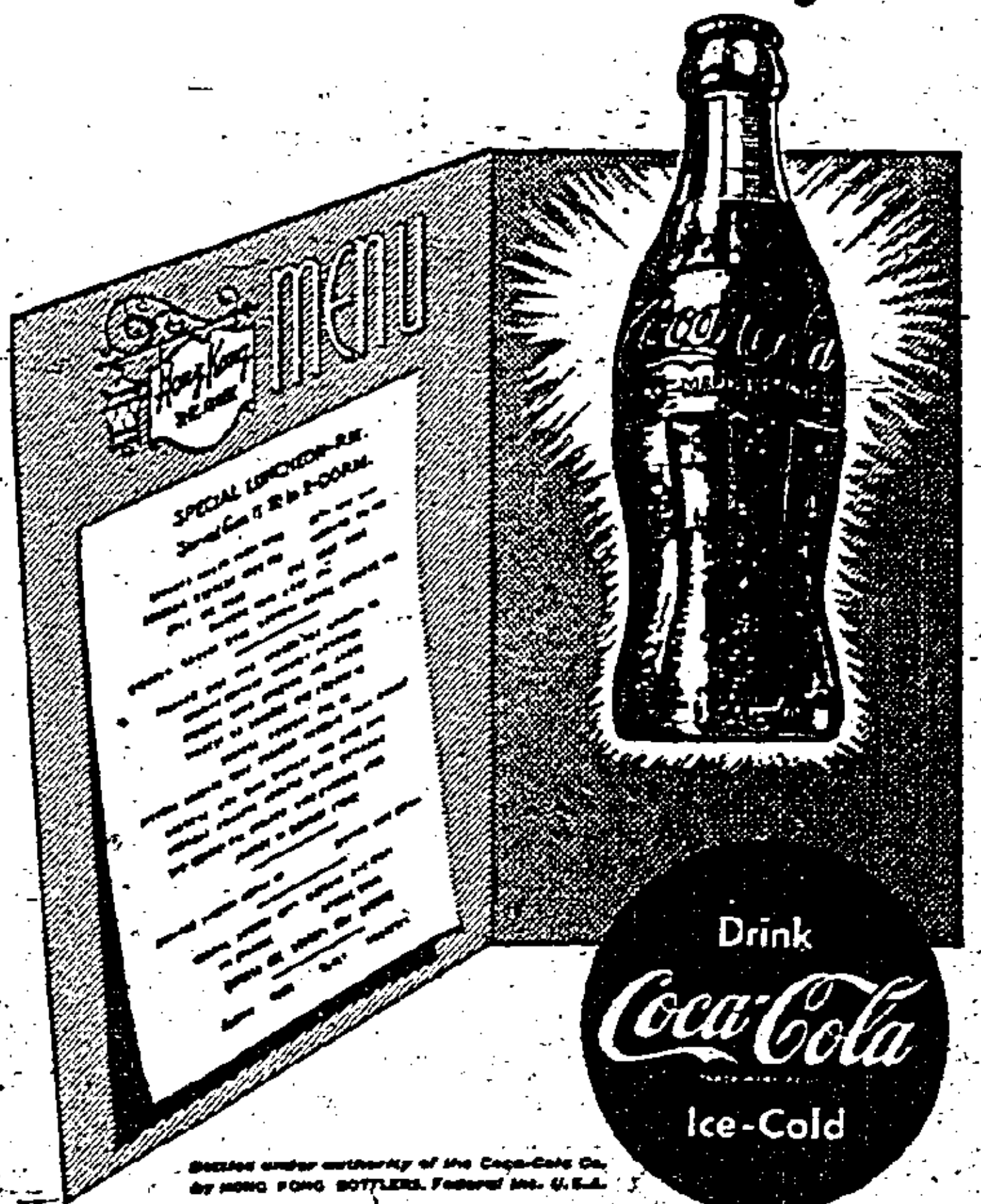
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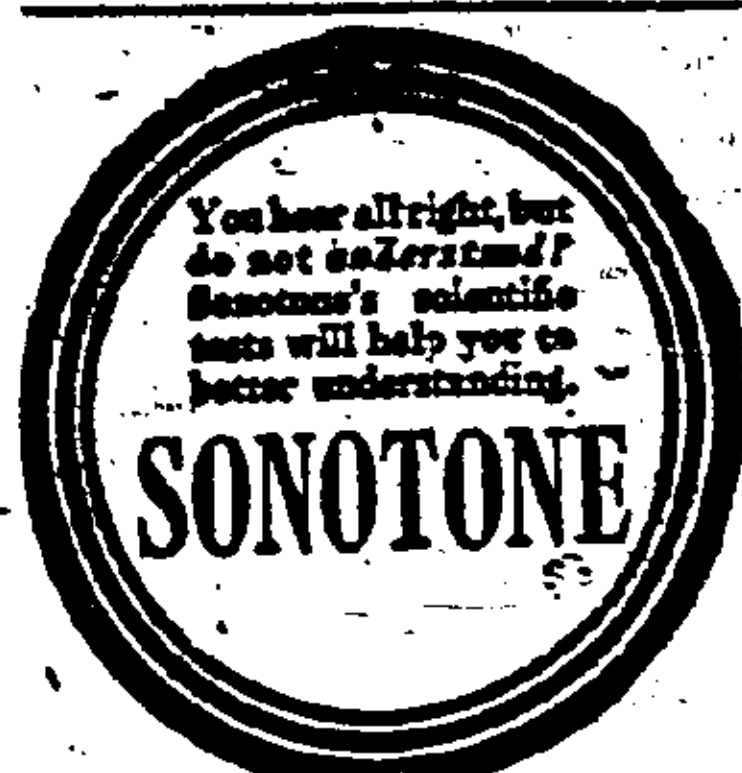
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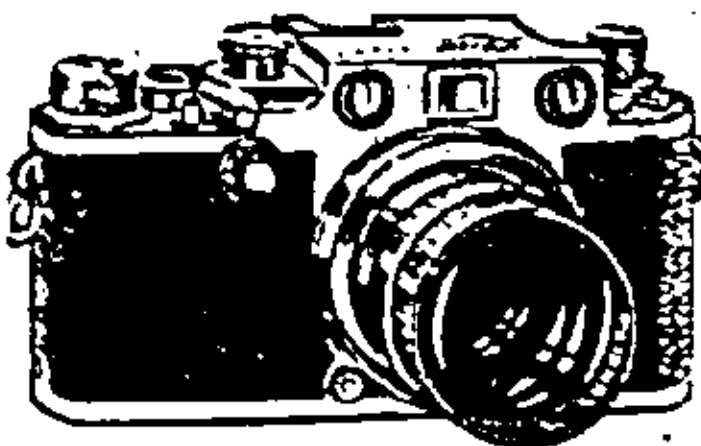
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Europe Council Meets In Paris

Paris, October 30.

For the first time since its inaugural session at Strasbourg in August, the Council of Europe will meet in Paris on Thursday under the chairmanship of the Belgian Foreign Minister, M. Paul Van Zeeland.
A preparatory meeting of the Council's officials will take place on Wednesday.

PRAGUE'S NEW LAW FOR THE CHURCH

Prague, October 30.

The Communist-controlled press told Catholic priests today that when the new Church law went into effect next Tuesday, the priests need feel no fear of "intimidation" from the Church hierarchy.

The new Church law puts them on a civil servant status. The papers said "thousands" of priests welcomed the law. They also hailed President Klement Gottwald's amnesty of 127 priests yesterday as typical of the "magnanimity" of the Government.

The newspaper "Lidova Demokracie" denied that "several hundred" priests had been imprisoned, as reported by Western correspondents. It said the number was only 15.
It added that Catholic believers in Czechoslovakia finally were waking up to the fact that the Vatican, serving the interests of "American diplomacy, on its reckless road to world mastery," was pursuing a hostile policy against the country.—United Press.

Robber Attack On Town

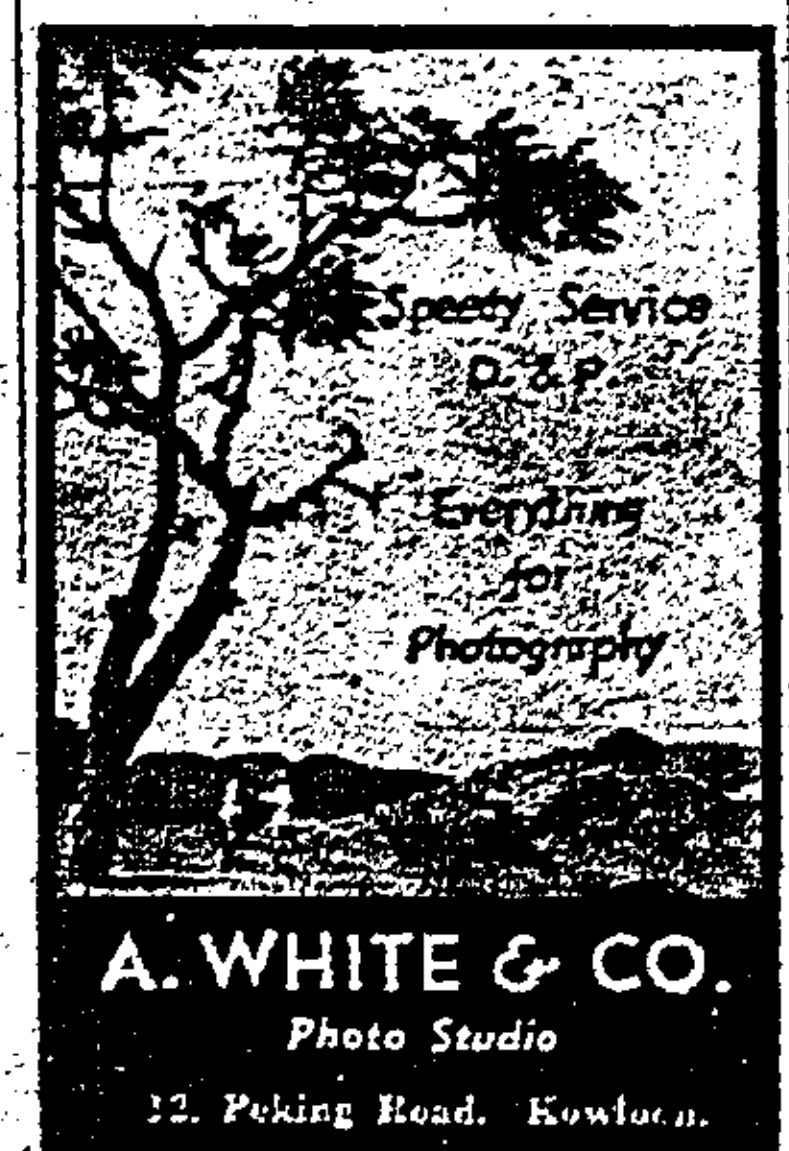
Bogota, Colombia,

October 30.
A hundred people were killed when a robber gang made a bloody attack on the township of Vereda Ceylan, according to newspaper reports here.

No official confirmation was available. Vereda Ceylan is near Tulu, in the Cordilleras, about 260 kilometres West South West of Bogota.

This was the second case of the kind to be reported this month. Several people were killed and a score were wounded when citizens fought bandits on October 11 in the town of Betania, in the Northern province of Antioquia, adjoining Panama, according to newspaper reports. Troops went in pursuit of the bandits, believed to number about 50. The two townships reported attacked are about 320 kilometres apart.—Reuter.

Berlin, October 30.
Members of a "Children's Parliament," organised by the American sector radio station, decided unanimously today that military toys should be boycotted.—Reuter.



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The Council meeting is expected to last only one day since the British, French and Benelux Foreign Ministers, are to hold a session of the Western Union's five-power power Consultative Council, also in Paris, on Friday and Saturday.

On Monday week, the Permanent Committee of the European Consultative Assembly will gather here under the presidency of M. Paul Henri Spaak, former Belgian Premier and Foreign Minister.

Circles close to the Council's two Belgian presidents gave the following draft agenda of items which are likely to come up for discussion before the Ministerial Committee:

1. "Structural matters"—whether or not the number of delegates from each member nation should be doubled and the role of the deputies abolished. This question also includes the admission of Western Germany, the Saar and Austria to the Council of Europe. It is generally believed that the question of Austria's membership will be postponed until after the signature of an Austrian peace treaty.

Economic Field

2. "Measures to be taken to safeguard fundamental rights and freedoms."
3. The Council of Europe's role in the economic field. Under this heading questions like convertibility of European currencies are expected to be debated.

4. A proposal to send a Council of Europe delegation to the United States to try to obtain a reduction of American customs tariffs.

Other points on the agenda concern social security, cultural co-operation, a European passport plan and a European patents office plan.

When the Permanent Committee of the Consultative Assembly meets on Monday week, it will examine the decisions reached by the Ministerial body of the Council. Its second task will be to prepare the Assembly's next meeting and possibly set up new commissions.—Reuter.

GRIM FIND IN BANDIT CAVE

Palermo, October 30.
Anti-bandit police forces today found two headless corpses in a lonely cave in the rugged Montelepre hills where the Sicilian bandit "king," Salvatore Giuliano, is hiding.

The men, as yet unidentified, were believed to be victims of Giuliano's gang, possibly men whose relatives would not pay ransom or "traitors" murdered by the bandits.

Routine police patrols, slowly closing in on Giuliano by capturing his supporters, today arrested three more men with rifles and ammunition. For almost two weeks the bandits have made no move against the police in spite of repeated attempts to draw them into the open.—Reuter.

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India To Attend New SE Asia Union

Manila, October 30.

Brigadier General Carlos P. Romulo, President of the United Nations General Assembly, in a telephone conversation with President Elpidio Quirino, said today that India indicated willingness to attend the preliminary conference of the South East Asia Union.

President Quirino revealed at a press conference that the preliminary conference would be held at Baguio City either in January or February. He said that proper arrangements for the accommodation of delegates would be made by the Government.—United Press.

LEVEL CROSSING TRAGEDY

Messina, October 30.

Seven were killed when a car crashed into a train at a level crossing near here last night.

The police have arrested the level-crossing keeper on a charge of negligence in failing to drop the barrier. Six of the dead were passengers on the train, the seventh being the driver of the car.

Eight other train passengers were injured, three of them seriously.—Reuter.

A WORLD FEDERATION NEEDED, SAYS NEHRU

Chicago, October 30.

India's Prime Minister, Jawaharlal Nehru, said today in a nationwide broadcast of Chicago's Round Table of the Air that some form of a world federation of nations is needed to eliminate the probability of war. He added that India hopes to help promote such an organisation.

He quickly ruled out, however, the idea that India might assume leadership for forming the world federation or become headquarters for it.

He said in remarks transcribed for the programme when he was in Chicago last week, "I do not like this idea of India or any country becoming a leader in such effort because thinking in that way brings difficulties and the people react wrongly to it. But to say India should work to its utmost capacity to that end I can understand."

The following remarks were made by the Indian Prime Minister in a discussion with Robert Redfield, professor of political science at the University of Chicago.

Redfield asked his opinion on the Marshall Plan. Mr. Nehru said, "I think the Marshall plan certainly helped certain countries in Europe greatly and helped them to help themselves which is im-

portant. Point Four of President Truman also seems to be a very good method of approaching this problem."

Rapid Events

Redfield asked him about a statement in which Mr. Nehru stated, "There really seems no alternative between world co-operation and world association. There is no choice of a middle course."

Mr. Nehru said, "Unless there is full co-operation between various parts of the world there is likely to be a conflict. In that sense it is difficult to avoid one of the two extreme things."

"Of course the process of full co-operation may not be a very quick one. Yet events are moving so rapidly that it becomes more and more necessary for world co-operation to develop."

"What form it may take it is a little difficult to say. Obviously

it cannot ignore the freedom of nations.
"It is ultimately certain that the forms of sovereignty might be given over to some central authority—world authority. But domestically every country will be completely independent to follow any policy it chooses."

Eastern Values

Redfield said this suggested that some federal associations would preserve their entities. Mr. Nehru said, "Yes, if you like you can call it federal though to begin with the authority of that federal structure must be very limited."

Mr. Nehru also spoke of poverty of the East and its necessity to acquire the essentials of life. Redfield asked if there was not a paradox in the East being far behind the West in material values but ahead in "humane" values.

Mr. Nehru said, "It is true that while material prosperity is necessary in India, the same value is not attached to it perhaps as in some other part of the earth's surface."

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SAILINGS	ARRIVALS	
"STRAAT SOENDA" 9th Nov.	24th Nov.	
"TEGELBERG" 12th Nov.	22nd Nov.	
"TIKAMPEK" 10th Dec.	21st Dec.	
"TEGELBERG" 13th Dec.	24th Dec.	

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SAILINGS	ARRIVALS	
"MOLENKERR" 9th Nov.	13th Nov.	
"MEERKERR" Early Dec.		

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Mediterranean and Northern European ports.

JAPAN		
SAILINGS	ARRIVALS	
"MOLENKERR" 8th Nov.	8th Nov.	
"MEERKERR" 19th Nov.	Early Dec.	

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m.v. "TONGHAI" Late Nov.

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Douglas 27 1/2, 28 1/2
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Indo China (Pref.) 19 1/2, 20 1/2
(Def.) 20 1/2, 21 1/2
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Shanghai Hongkong Wharves 11 1/2, 12 1/2
H.K. Docks 11 1/2, 12 1/2
China Providence 11 1/2, 12 1/2
Shanghai Dockyards 8 1/2, 9 1/2, 10 1/2, 11 1/2, 12 1/2
Wharves 29 1/2, 30 1/2
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Hampshire 11 1/2, 12 1/2
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